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MERCIER—February 4, 1924, at 14 Ormiston Drive, Belfast, to Mr. and Mrs. William Mercier, a son.

MARRIAGES.

BURKE and KENNEDY—January 30, 1924, at the Pro-Cathedral, Marlborough st., with Nuptial Mass, by the Rev. D. Waldron, C.C., Kildare, assisted by Rev. Father Hipwell, C.C., Bagenalstown, Florence J. Burke, youngest son of the late John Burke, Bride st., Kildare, to Teresa (Tess) Kennedy, 73 Lower Leeson st., Dublin, youngest daughter of the late Michael J. Kennedy, Kildare.

CALDWELL and DOHERTY—February 5, 1924, at McQuiston Memorial Presbyterian Church, by the Rev. D. D. Boyle, M.A., Reginald Albert Caldwell, son of the late J. J. Caldwell, Stonyford, Co. Kilkenny, to Elizabeth Eva, eldest daughter of Alexander Doherty, Toronto st., Belfast.

JONES and WATSON—January 2, 1924, at 482 Clifton st., Winnipeg (the residence of the bride's brother), by the Rev. Robert Martin, Richard Thomas, third son of the late W. J. Jones and Mrs. Jones, Swan Lake, Man., to Caroline Constance (Connie), youngest daughter of the late Henry Watson and Mrs. Watson, Iverna, Portarlington, King's County.

SCULLY and JOHNSON—February 6, 1924, at St. Mary's, Cadogan st., London, Captain Vincent Marcus Barron Scully, D.S.O., O.B.E., late Border Regiment, younger son of Mr. Vincent Scully, of Mantichill, Golden, Co. Tipperary, to Pleasance, widow of Lieutenant-Colonel C. E. Johnson, D.S.O., M.C. (T.F.), of Little Offley, Hitchin, Herts.

DEATHS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for Insertion in this column will be found on Page 6.

BALMER—February 6, 1924, at his residence, 12 South Brown st., George Allen Balmer. Deeply regretted by his sorrowing wife and children. "Safe in the arms of Jesus." Funeral arrangements later. American and Australian papers please copy.

BRERETON—On Tuesday, February 5, 1924, at Prospect Hill, Galway, William W. Brereton, Professor of Surgery, University College, Galway. Funeral to Oughterard at 11.30 a.m. to-day (Thursday), 7th February, 1924.

DOHERTY—February 5, 1924, at Limeri k, Harriette, widow of William Doherty, West End, Kilkee, aged 78. Funeral to-day (Thursday) to family burial ground, Kilfenora.

GIBB—February 6, 1924, at 44 St. Kevin's Park, Dublin, Jane Louise Gibb, for 25 years the kind and faithful friend of Mr. James Wilson's family.

HUMPHREYS—February 6, 1924, at Beechlands, Shankill, Katherine Frances, widow of the Very Rev. Robert Humphreys, late Dean of Killaloe, aged 76. Funeral for Dean's Grange to-morrow (Friday) at 8.30 a.m.

HYNDMAN—December 20, 1923, Dalbeth, South Yarra, Melbourne, Victoria, May, wife of William M. Hyndman, Esq.

KILDUFF—February 5, 1924, at her residence, Mardyke st., Athlone, Rose Kilduff, widow of the late John Kilduff, aged 80 years. R.I.P. High Mass at St. Mary's, Athlone, 10 a.m., to-morrow (Friday). Funeral to Coruannagh Cemetery, Athlone, 3 p.m. same day.

LODER—February 6, 1924, in a Private Nursing Home, John J. Loder, Meadow Brook, Dundrum, Co. Dublin. Deeply regretted by his sorrowing family. R.I.P. Funeral (cremation) from Dundrum 10.30 to-morrow (Friday) morning.

LONG—February 6, 1924, at 20 Mary st., Clonmel, Ellen E., widow of the late J. J. Long, Editor *Nationalist*, Clonmel. Funeral from St. Peter and Paul's to-morrow (Friday) at 2 p.m.

McKEON—February 6, 1924, at his residence, Irishtown, Rathfeigh, Meath, Michael McKeon, aged 75. Deeply regretted by his wife, family, and relatives. R.I.P. Funeral to-morrow (Friday). Arrangements later.

MACARTNEY—February 5, 1924, at Steevens' Hospital, Winifred Maud, only daughter of Charles and Mary Macartney, 50 Blackhall place, Dublin, aged 3 years 10 months. "Suffer little children to come unto Me." Funeral from hospital 10 a.m. to-morrow (Friday).

MEEHAN—February 6, 1924, in Dublin, after an operation, William Cusack, only son of Joseph Meehan, Howth. Funeral from Church of Assumption, Howth, to-day (Thursday) at 3 o'clock.

MULLIGAN—February 6, 1924, at the residence of her son-in-law (Richard Tuite, Edgeworthstown), Margaret, relict of the late Andrew Mulligan, aged 73. R.I.P. Funeral at 2 o'clock to-morrow (Friday) to the New Cemetery, Edgeworthstown. American papers please copy.

RICHARDSON—February 5, 1924, at her residence, 1 Tivoli tce., North, Kingstown, Florence, daughter of the late Andrew and Charlotte Richardson, late of York rd., Kingstown. Funeral to-morrow (Friday) from above address at 11.50 for Dean's Grange. American and Australian papers please copy.

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TONER—February 6, 1924, at his residence, 18 Tivoli tce., North, Dun Laoghaire, James, second son of the late Patrick Toner, Booterstown. Deeply regretted by his sorrowing wife and family. R.I.P. Funeral at 10.30 from St. Michael's Church to-morrow (Friday).

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Notice is hereby given, pursuant to 30 and 31 Victoria, Cap. 54, Section 19, that the said Victoria Marie Smith, by her Will, dated 4th day of October, 1909, made the following Charitable Bequest to be paid out of her pure personalty:—

To the Dalkey, Killiney and Ballybrack Nursing Association, thirty pounds; to Mrs. Overend, wife of the Recorder of Londonderry, twenty pounds for the Dublin Prison Gate Mission; to the Protestant Home of Rest for the Dying, Camden Row, Dublin, twenty pounds; to the Royal Hospital for Incurables, Donnybrook, Dublin, twenty pounds; to Miss Fanny Gibson, for the poor, at her discretion, ten pounds. The receipts of the treasurers and secretaries of the said hospitals and nursing association to be a sufficient discharge to her executors.

The Testatrix died on the 6th December, 1923, and Probate of her said Will and four Codicils (which did not affect the above bequests) was granted on the 14th day of September, 1923, forth of the Principal Registry (Probate) of the High Court of Justice, Saorstat Eireann, to Travers Robert Montgomery Smith, of 13 Kilburn Park, London, M.D., and Walter Richard Hugh Smith, of the County Asylum, Shrewsbury, England, M.D., the two Executors named therein.

Dated this 4th day of February, 1924.
HONE and FALKINER, Solicitors for said Executors, 9 Suffolk street, Dublin.

To the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests for Ireland, and all others concerned.

SAORSTAT EIREANN.

PURSUANT to an Order of the Chancery Division of the High Court of Justice made in a cause "The Munster and Leinster Bank Limited, v. John Leahy" (1923, No. 308), all persons claiming to be incumbrancers affecting the premises known as 20 Parnell street, in the City of Dublin, are, by their Solicitors, to enter and prove their claims at the Chambers of the Chancery Judge, Law Courts, Dublin Castle, on or before the 28th day of February, 1924, or in default thereof they will be peremptorily excluded from the benefit of the said Order.

Every claimant holding any security is to produce the same before the said Chancery Judge at his Chambers, Law Courts, Dublin Castle, on the 3rd day of March, 1924, at eleven of the clock in the forenoon, being the time appointed for adjudicating on the claims.

Dated this 5th day of February, 1924.
THOS. W. ELLERKER, Chief Clerk.

RE
BENJAMIN W. WEBSTER, late of Main street, Gorey, in the County of Wexford, Builder and Contractor, Deceased.

Persons having claims against the above Deceased are requested to send particulars thereof (in writing) forthwith to the undermentioned Solicitors for the intended Administratrix.
M. J. O'CONNOR and CO., Solicitors, Gorey.

IN THE GOODS OF
PETER PLUNKETT, late of Rathnafishogue, Hacketstown, County Carlow, Farmer.

Take Notice that we are about to apply on behalf of Mrs. Catherine Purcell, of Ardnaboy, Ballingion, County Wicklow, for a Grant of Administration of the Personal Estate of above Deceased, who died on the 13th day of March, 1919, and that at the expiration of eight days from this date a Grant may issue unless a Caveat be entered in the Principal Registry, Probate Division of the High Court of Justice in Saorstat Eireann, Dublin.

Dated this 6th day of February, 1924.
HARRIS and GREENE, Solicitors for said Catherine Purcell, 6 Lower Abbey street, Dublin.

Notice of Audit and Dividend.—23.
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE IN SAORSTAT EIREANN.
KING'S BENCH DIVISION—IN BANKRUPTCY.
In the Matter of
JOHN COFFEY, of Rathmolyon, in the County of Meath, Grocer and Publican,
a Bankrupt.

A Public Sitting will be held before the Court, at the Law Courts, The Castle, Dublin, on Friday, the 22nd day of February, 1924, at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon to audit the Assignees' Account and make a dividend in this matter.
Dated this 4th day of February, 1924.
W. F. COOPER, Senior Assistant.
A. G. HOLLINSHEAD, Official Assignee, The Law Courts, The Castle, Dublin.
EUGENE F. COLLINS and SON, Solicitors, for the Assignees, 19 Eustace street, Dublin.

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GIRLS—who fear Marriage—See the Special Article in the "Weekly Irish Times." On sale to-day. 5 F

JUNIOR Lad or Girl Clerk required in Wholesale Wine Merchant's Office. Reply, stating age, experience and salary expected, and enclosing copies of references, F 1345, this office. 5 E

LADY Help Wanted to go work of small house, charwoman weekly; three in family, nurse kept; good salary.—Neill Watson, Custams, Bray road, Foxrock.

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WORKING Steward seeks engagement; stock, tillage, machinery; take charge. Address "Z 4740, Steward," this office. 4 E

WORKING Steward or Manager requires situation; highly recommended.—F 1245, this office. 4 E

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RESPECTABLE, reliable, elderly person, Working Housekeeper; cook, charge of house, look after few young business gentlemen out all day; Dublin; must be trustworthy; good references. Address "Z 4851, Housekeeper," this office.

WANTED, a clean, strong Girl as Scullery Maid. Address, Housekeeper, Beau Parc, Meath. 4 E

WORKING Housekeeper Wanted; must be a good cook. Replies to state age, experience, and wages expected, to F 1761, this office. 5 F

WANTED, Working Housekeeper, for single clergyman. State wages. R. Ferguson, Lurganboy Rectory, Manorhamilton, Co. Leitrim.

WANTED, General Worker, plain cooking, housework, etc.; two in family; no basement; South side; good wages to suitable person.—R O 298, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines.

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EXPERIENCED Cooks. Wanted, £35, £30, £25; age, wages, references.—Hawker's Agency, Limerick.

GOOD Cook General Wanted; country girl preferred; send copies.—Carson, Meudon, Swords. 4 E

GOOD Cook-General Wanted for England, Irish Girl kept. Apply, stating particulars, good references required.—Hamilton, Greville House, Grafton road, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire.

QUIET country place (Fitzperry) requires Cook immediately; dairy; no washing only; kitchenmaid kept; wages £24. Address "Z 4720, Cook," this office.

WANTED immediately, young Plain Cook, country place; small dairy; two in family. Send copies and wages required, Mrs. Connellan, Johnstown House, Curlow.

WANTED, Cook General or good General; 5 in family; no washing; non basement; house parlourmaid kept.—4 Harrington st.

WANTED, an experienced Cook Housekeeper for family of three, Protestants; Enniskillen; another girl kept; good wages given; full particulars. Address "Z 4753, Housekeeper," this office.

WANTED, experienced Cook General for small house in Pembroke district; family two; reply with copies, stating age and wages expected. Address "Z 4765, Cook General," this office. 5 E

WANTED, Good Cook; state fully experience and wages.—F 1288, this office. 5 D

WANTED, Cook General; must be good cook, well recommended; good wages to suitable person.—F 1461, this office.

WANTED, experienced Cook, or Cook General; used to large household; must be good plain cook; good wages to suitable person; Pembroke district.—F 1408, this office. 6 E

WANTED, 20th February, active Cook General, Co. Kildare; dairy, small washing, good cooking; economy essential; £26.30; send copies. Address "Z 4835, Cook General," this office.

WANTED for Co. Meath, superior Cook General, small family; state wages, send references (copies). Address "Z 4727, General," this office. 4 E

WANTED, a Cook Housekeeper (R.C.) for a priest residing in North Wexford; must take charge of a small dairy and rear fowl; wages £25 a year and perquisites. Address "Z 4804, Cook," this office. 6 E

WANTED, a first class Cook, small family; between-maid kept; small country house in Midlands; please state age and wages. Address "Z 4847, Cook," this office. 5 A

YOUNG Cook General (Protestant) Wanted; small washing; 4 in family; good wages.—R O 295, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines. T

GENERALS WANTED.

A GOOD General Wanted, small family; no washing. Apply Tennent's, 67 Palmerston road.

A GOOD General Servant Wanted. Apply to-day, before 3 or after 6, 78 Palmerston road.

A GOOD General or Working Housekeeper, all duties; family two; Protestant preference.—F 1471, this office. 5 E

EXPERIENCED Protestant General Wanted for country place; small family; fond of children; good wages; good copies reference. Address "Z 4716, General," this office. 4 E

EXPERIENCED General required to go to England with lady; please call.—1 Arranmore road, Herbert Park.

GENERAL Wanted, R.C.; good cook; no washing; help given; £30; copies.—Drumdoe, Naas. 4 E

GOOD General, plain cook, Wanted, one accustomed to Country Monaghan; man kept; good house. Send copies discharges, photograph; state terms, age, and religion.—Dane, Chillingworth Hotel, Torquay. 5

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PRODUCE AND FOOD MARKETS.

CATTLE.

WAKEFIELD, Wednesday.—A larger supply with a steady trade all round. Best made from 10d. to 11½d. per lb.; small local sheep 17d. to 18d., medium 16d. to 17d., and large 14d. to 15d. In market—Beasts 20, sheep 356.

GLASGOW, Wednesday.—Public market still closed owing to foot-and-mouth disease restrictions. Supplies of cattle in the dead meat section were shorter, and trade was dull but prices ruled firm. Best Scotch 11½d., secondary 10d. to 11d., Irish 9½d. to 10d., best hoggets 15d. to 15½d., heavy hoggets 13d. to 14d. per lb.

EDINBURGH, Wednesday.—Sheep and cows were in fair supply. Cattle again scarce. Sheep met good trade. Half-bred hoggs sold from 62/- to 77/6, grey-faced 61/- to 70/-. Bullocks made to £25 15/, and Cumberland cows to £53.

GRAIN.

FLOATING GRAIN CARGOES (THE BALTIC, Wednesday.—WHEAT—Cargo market firm and dearer, with sellers more reserved, and a better demand ensued. No. 1 Manitoba afloat sellers 49/3; a steamer 7,500 tons No. 2 ditto Feb. sold 47/7, white Pacific Feb.-March sellers 48/6, Australian Jan.-Feb. 47/9, Rosafe (63.lbs.) afloat 46/6; Barusso ditto Feb.-March 44/9. Parcels firmer with a good demand; No. 1 Northern Manitoba Feb. 18th sold 48/4½, Jan.-Feb. 48/3, April-May 46/1½; Australian afloat sellers 47/9, Rosafe (63.lbs.) Jan.-Feb. 45/6. MAIZE—Cargoes strong with few offers and a good demand; a steamer 5,000 tons Plate April-May sold 35/9, 5,500 tons ditto 35/6, 5,500 tons ditto May-June 34/7½, 5,300 tons ditto 35/-, 4,500 tons Jan.-Gal.-Fox. Feb-March 41/6, 4,500 tons ditto March-April 16th 40/6. Parcels in demand, and prices higher; Plate afloat sold 42/4½, Jan.-Feb. 42/6, April-May 35/1½ to 35/6, May-June 34/3 to 34/6 ditto Feb.-March Liverpool 42/7½ per 480lbs. BARLEY sparingly offered and firm; Karachi Feb. 29th March sellers 33/. Parcels tend dearer; No. 3 Canadian Western Jan.-Feb. sellers 35/6, No. 4 ditto 34/3; Karachi 32/9, Plate Feb.-March 32/6 per 400lbs. OATS—Market firm; Plate f.a.q. Jan.-March sellers 29/6, March-April 30/7½, No. 2 Canadian Western Feb.-March 26/-, No. 2 feed ditto 22/6 per 320lbs.

MARK LANE, Wednesday.—There was a small attendance of buyers at the mid-weekly market, and a moderate trade resulted at full to occasionally firmer rates. WHEAT fully steady for English, and suitable milling grades quoted at 10/4 to 10/10, with inferior at 8/10 to 9/6 per 12lbs. f.o.r. Imported maintained; 1 Northern Manitoba afloat 52/-, No. 2 ditto 51/6, No. 3 ditto 49/-, Rosafe (63lbs.) 48/9, all ex ship to arrive per 496lbs. FLOUR firm; London standard straights run quoted 39/6, patents 41/6 to 42/6, town households 37/6 per sack, delivered; all English country straights 33/6 to 34/6, as to quality f.o.r. at London station. Irish steady; Manitoba patents range from 36/6 to 39/- as to quality, and Australian 35/- to 35/6 per 280lbs. ex store. BARLEY—English firm; malting ranged from 11/6 to 14/6, and feeders 10/6 to 11/4 per 112lbs. f.o.r.; imported Californian 44/6 to 50/- ex store, Chilian brewing 45/6 to 46/6 ex ship per 448lbs.; No. 4 Canadian Western 35/6, Algerian Tunisian 33/6, all per 400lbs. MAIZE firmer; Plate ex ship 43/6, landed 45/-, Rosafe landed 45/6, all per 480lbs. OATS—English steady at 9/4 to 10/6 per 112lbs. f.o.r. Imported firm; Plate f.a.q. new crop ex ship 21/3, old crop landed 23/6; No. 2 Canadian Western landed 27/3, No. 3 ditto landed 26/3; No. 2 Canadian feed landed 24/3, all per 320lbs. MILLERS' OFFALS steady; bread bran quoted 81/-, ordinary 77/6, middlings 9/- fine ditto 10/-, bags included, ex mill; light oats 6/9, powdered oat husks 8/3, feed oatmeal 9/9, ground oats 12/9 f.o.r., all per cwt. OATMEAL in moderate demand at the recent decline; London made flaked, also rolled oats 17/6, medium and fine cuts 17/-, coarse and medium pinhead 17/6, ordinary Scottish oatmeal 17/6, American 16/6 per cwt.

LIVERPOOL, Wednesday.—WHEAT—American markets were steady and sterling exchange again easier, while scarcity on spot and fears of dock strike caused forward deliveries of wheat here to show a further liberal advance during early trading. Talk of heavy Argentine shipments this week and realisations put prices below last night, and after moderate fluctuations finished unchanged to the turn lower on the day. Cif. parcels of No. 1 Manitoba afloat sellers 47/9, Rosafe (63

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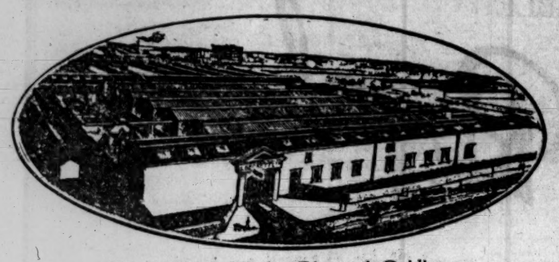

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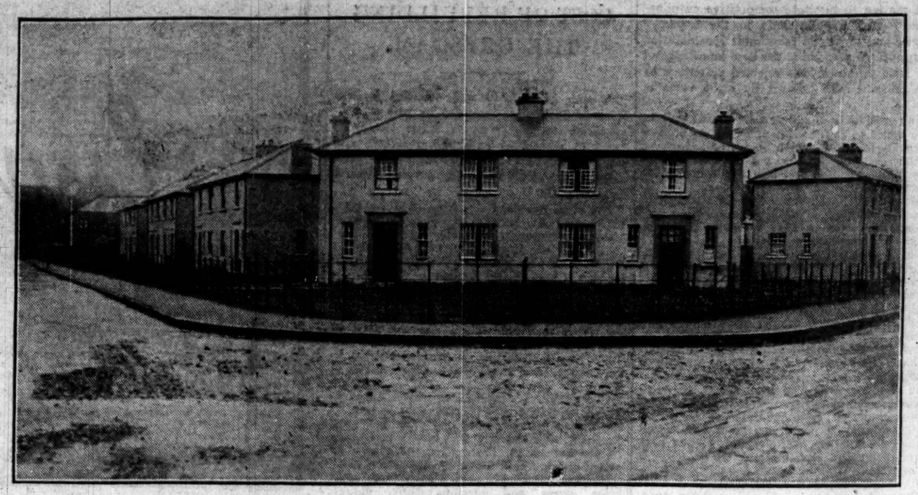

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Bray Urban District Council has just completed a scheme of 23 houses for workers. Sixteen of the houses are semi-detached, and seven are terrace houses.

The accommodation in each consists of kitchen, scullery, three bedrooms, water closet, larder, coal store, and bathroom, the bath to be provided later.

In the detached houses the headroom is 8ft. on the ground floor, and 8ft 3in. on the first floor, and the floor areas are 180ft. super in the livingroom, 163ft. in bedroom No. 1, 120ft. in bedroom No. 2, and 62ft. in bedroom No. 3. The scullery is 7ft. by 9ft. 5ins.

In the terrace houses the headroom is 8ft on the ground floor, and 8ft. 3ins. on the first floor, and the floor areas are 180ft. super in the livingroom, 163ft. in bedroom No. 1, 81ft. in bedroom No. 2, and 60ft. in bedroom No. 3.

The walls are built in the solid of concrete nine inches thick, plastered and dashed externally and the roofs are covered with slates.

The contract sum for the 16 houses, which included drainage and fencing, was £10,256, or £641 each, and for the seven houses £3,914, or £559 each.

Messrs. James Beckett, Ltd., Ringsend, Dublin, were the contractors, Mr. William Brien acted as contractors' foreman, and Mr. Wm. Byrne was clerk of works.

The entire scheme was carried out according to the plans of Mr. P. H. McCarthy, M.Inst.C.E.I., 26 Lower Leeson street, Dublin, and Bray.

BUILDING TRADE WAGES.

REDUCTIONS PROPOSED IN DUBLIN.

The Dublin building trade is again agitated by the discussion of wages problems.

The Building Trades Employers' Association propose to reduce the wages of the tradesmen by fourpence per hour and also increase the working hours per week from 44 to 48. Bricklayers, stonecutters, plasterers, carpenters, marble polishers, brassfinishers, electricians, and plumbers are affected by these proposals, which were discussed at a preliminary conference held last week between the representatives of the employers and the employés.

No definite decision was arrived at, but a further conference was arranged to take place next week.

Meanwhile No. 5 Branch, Irish Transport and General Workers' Union, which includes builders' labourers, marble polishers, and stonecutters, has decided not to entertain any proposal to reduce wages.

Altogether about 8,000 men are affected by the proposals.

The employers' view is that there is little prospect of a revival in the building trade while wages remain at the present high level.

The Labour attitude is that the present is not an opportune time for a reduction of wages on account of the increased cost of living.

BRITISH WORKERS WANT 2d. PER HOUR INCREASE.

The Wages and Conditions Council for the Building Industry met in London on two days last week, and gave further consideration to the claims of the operatives' side for an alteration of the basic index figure governing the sliding scale in the National Agreement, the effect being, if conceded, to give an all round increase of 2d. an hour to operatives throughout Great Britain. There was also an application for a reversion to the 44-hour working week and other adjustments of working conditions.

No agreement was reached, and a decision on all the claims of the operatives was adjourned until February 15, when the Council will meet again to consider the position.

USE OF WATER FOR ELECTRIC POWER.

At the present time, when several schemes are on foot for the production of electric power by harnessing the Liffey, it is interesting to note what has been done in other countries.

Mr. S. L. Pearce, chief engineer and manager of the Manchester Electricity Department, has given some interesting comparisons as to the extent to which electric power has been developed in various countries. Great Britain and Ireland came at the bottom of the list. The number of units of electricity consumed per head of population by Switzerland was 700, by Canada 612, by Norway 493, by the United States 472, by Sweden 364, by France 147, and by Great Britain and Ireland 139. Though the figure for the whole was 139, Manchester's figure was 235.

The countries most richly endowed with water-power have made the greatest use of electricity.

DUBLIN NOTES.

The Dublin Corporation has instructed the Finance Committee to make provision in the estimates for the expenditure of £6,000 on the renovation and repair of the City Hall.

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The Royal Institute of Architects in Ireland have purchased premises at 8 Merrion square, which it is intended to make their headquarters. As there is ample accommodation available, it is possible that other architectural and engineering organisations may also gravitate there, and make the place a centre for that class of professional men.

PLANS FOR BUILDING WORKS IN DUBLIN.

Plans for the following new building works and alterations were approved by Mr. Horace T. O'Rourke, City Architect, Dublin Corporation, during the two weeks ended 2nd February:—

Russell Street Laundry Roof over girls' dressing-room and laundry store. The Phœnix Laundry.

Kilmainham Lane — Repairs. Messrs. Murray and Co.

Stephen's Green, rear 139—Lavatories. Mr. G. Brown.

Talbot street, 9—Additions. Messrs. Tarlo.

Amiens street, 61—Shop front. Mr. Price.

Clanwilliam Place, 3—Repairs. Mr. J. A. Campbell.

Bride street (old bird market), 74-75—Stables. Mr. William Royal.

Gloucester street (South), 27-30—Stores. Messrs. Duan and Co

South Circular road, No. 1 Tobacco Factory—Temporary annexe. Messrs. Clarke and Son.

South King street, 13-14—Alterations and additions. Messrs. John O'Neill, Ltd.

Grafton street, 31—Lavatory—Mr. L. Wine.

TENDERS WANTED.

By County Surveyor, Enniskillen, designs for steel bridge, 28ft. span, 20ft. roadway.

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By Dublin Corporation, by 18th February, for the supply of motor turntable ladder fire escape.

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By General Prisons Board, by 11th February, for repairs to roofs of Mountjoy Prison.

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By Tralee Urban District Council, by 14th February, tenders for erection of fourteen houses.

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By Dublin Port and Docks Board, by 20th February, for the construction of a 30in. steel discharge pipe.

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By George Whaley and Sons, Enniskillen, for alterations to premises for the purpose of a new bakery.

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By Rathdrum Rural District Council, by 11th February, for the erection of five labourers' cottages.

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By Donegal County Council, by February 8, for the remodelling of a portion of the County House, Lifford.

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By Kilmallock Co-operative Friendly Society, Ltd., by 20th February, for the erection of a new hall.

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By Kingstown Urban District Council, by 21st February, for crude oil engines, switch gear and distribution system.

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By Great Southern and Western Railway, by 26th February, for the restoration of station buildings at Bennett's Bridge, Durrow, Molahiffe, and Gortatlea.

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By Rathmines Urban District Council, by 16th February, for repairs to Town Hall and the laying of a 9" water main from Ranelagh to Dartry road.

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By Kilkee, Co. Clare, Electricity Supply Co., by 21st February, for semi-Diesel engines, dynamos, accumulators, etc., for the supply of electricity in the town.

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By Dublin Port and Docks Board, by 27th February, for the supply of steel work for a shed, also for the sale of their disused steam generating plant at Alexandra Basin.

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By Commissioners of Public Works, by 14th February, for reconstruction of Sligo Custom House. By 21st February, tenders for supplies of carpets, linoleums, etc., for six months.

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By Very Rev. T. Canon MacDonald, P.P., Parochial House, Portadown, by 15th February, for the erection and completion of, a new chapel adjoining Convent of the Presentation Order, Portadown.

ROADS, BRIDGES, AND DOCKS.

£6,000,000 CONTRACT.

Competitive designs and tenders for the construction of the proposed cantilever railway and road bridge over Sydney Harbour—a scheme which is estimated to cost approximately six millions sterling—have been submitted for consideration, and an award is expected to be made during the next three months.

The list of firms who submitted tenders and alternative designs were Sir William Arrol and Co. (Ltd.), Dalmarnock Ironworks, Glasgow; Dorman, Long and Co. (Ltd.), Britannia Ironworks, Middlesbrough; the Engineering Electric Co., Sydney; the Dominion Bridge Corporation, Newcastle, N.S.W.; the Canadian Bridge Co., Montreal; and the M'Clintic Marshall Products Co., New York.

The terms of the specifications are understood to be very severe, and it is stated that restrictions may be imposed to ensure that not only will a large amount of Australian labour be utilised, but that the greater portion of the steel work shall be fabricated in New South Wales in order to assist the development of the iron and steel industry in that country.

The bridge will probably be constructed in five years.

Designs for cantilever and an arch type were submitted, and it is believed the choice will be for the cantilever, the length of the span being 600 feet.

The bridge will be one of the widest in the world, carrying six railway tracks, as well as vehicle and foot ways.

REPAIRING FREE STATE BRIDGES.

£17,000 FOR ONE DISTRICT.

At the quarterly meeting of Cork District Council the County Surveyor, Mr. T. Murphy, recommended that the following proposals be made to the quarterly meeting of the County Council this month for the repair or restoration of the following bridges, the expenditure to be defrayed out of a loan to be obtained by the County Council:—

Douglas bridge, £350; Tramore river bridge, £150; Rochestown bridge, £300; retaining wall and gullet at Hilltown, £100; Strawhall culverts, £15; Shannonpark bridge, £100; Carrigaline bridge, 1,600; Ceamcarriga bridge, £30; Bealhareagh bridge, £350; Priest's bridge, £1,100; Inchiggagin bridge, £200; Killumney bridge, £300; Classis bridge, £300; Inniscarra bridge, £250; Cloghroo School bridge, £70; Ardrum bridge, £210; Tower bridge, £230; Shournagh bridge, £160; Courtbrack bridge, £95; Ballyglass bridge, £100; Bawnafinny bridge, £420; Blarney Bridge, £360; Shean bridge, £365; Putlands bridge, £210; Wise's bridge, £360; Glencaum bridge, £1,620; Poulaglogger bridge, £120; Six-mile-water eastern bridge, £210; Six-mile-water western bridge, £210; Carriganafirinn bridge, £200; Commerbwee bridge, £175; Coome old bridge, £120; Upper Glanmire bridge, £340; Annacarton bridge, £210; Glanmire bridge, £200; Belvelly bridge, £1,200; Slatty bridge, £52.

And to provide a new opening bridge at Dunkettle, £5,000.

£78,000 BRIDGE CONTRACT.

The contract for steelwork for the widening of the Trent Bridge, Nottingham, has been let by the Corporation to the Cleveland Bridge and Engineering Company, Darlington. The price of the contract is £78,709. The width of the bridge is to be doubled to 80ft., and the total cost of the work will be £125,000, towards which the Ministry of Transport has promised to pay 60 per cent., conditionally upon all the materials being made in Great Britain.

Four tenders were received by the Housing Committee of the Dublin Corporation for the supply of lead piping, etc., for three months. The tender of Messrs. Brooks, Thomas, and Co., Ltd., was lowest, and it was recommended for acceptance.

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PALACES OF CONCRETE—ENGINEERING AND INDUSTRY AT WEMBLEY.

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The British Empire Exhibition at Wembley this year will have the greatest display of industries ever brought together.

The two largest of the many buildings are the Palace of Engineering and the Palace of Industry.

These buildings are not only the largest and finest that have ever been erected for the purposes of a self-contained exhibition, but represent the apex of constructional achievement in concrete. Sir Robert McAlpine, Bart., head of the famous firm of contractors who built them, is the world's pioneer of big concrete works, while Mr. E. O. Williams, the consulting civil engineer, is probably destined to occupy the same position in connection with concrete as Sir Benjamin Baker holds in the realm of steel. Both he and the architects, Messrs. Simpson and Ayrton, have taken full advantage of the opportunity given them of showing what wonders can be done in concrete construction.

Jointly, the two halls cover over 23 acres of ground, a space 12½ times the size of Trafalgar square. The Palace of Engineering is twice the size of the building used for the same purpose at the Franco-British Exhibition in 1908, and the Palace of Industry is twice as large as the corresponding building at Shepherd's Bush.

Over 12,000 tons of concrete and
1,200 tons of steel reinforcement have been used in these buildings, and
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There are 25,000 square yards of breeze slabs in the internal walls,
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½ a million square feet of glass, and
⅗ miles of roads in and around the buildings.

The total amount of earth removed to make room for the two Palaces and their foundations was 100,000 tons.

In the Palace of Industry the structure is based on units of 25 feet. The main portion of the buildings consists of 50 feet span arches constructed in reinforced concrete at 25 feet centres, but adjacent to the main gangways 75 feet span arches have been built, these being of composite construction made up of reinforced cantilever abutments and 3 inch steel arches, a type of design which dispenses with the use of the rods.

Railway tracks run through the main buildings, and in the Palace of Engineering, overhead travelling cranes will reduce the difficulty of handling exhibits, which, in this section, will include some weighing from 150 tons down to the most delicate testing instruments.

All the principal buildings in the exhibition, as well as these two palaces, are built of concrete and steel, and in the Palace of Industry there will be a section, covering 14,867 square feet, devoted to exhibits of the Building and Heating Industries.

There will be seen the latest developments of cement and concrete, and all that is most modern in building and furnishing materials. Strong-room building will be specially represented here. The above photograph gives an idea of the extent of the Palace of Industry.

In a prominent corner of this palace the Government of Northern Ireland will occupy a space of 6,187 square feet, and there will be displayed products of the great shipbuilding, engineering, flax and linen works of Ulster.

ITEMS.

The main road from Cork to Blarney is to be steam-rolled at an estimated cost of £6,200.

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Ten houses being built at Graigue for the Thomastown Rural District Council are to cost £395 each.

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Youghal No. 1 Rural Council has approved the proposal for repairing bridges at a total cost of £4,424.

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Coleraine Urban District Council invite applications by 12th February for the position of Town Surveyor at a salary of £350.

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A new church in the Parish of Currin, Co. Meath, is to be erected, and £4,000—about a fourth of the total—has been secured already.

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Bailieboro' Rural District Council will on Monday, 11th February, appoint an engineer and architect for one year at a salary of £80.

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A second steel and concrete shed 211 feet long and 31 feet wide, is being erected on the quay at Waterford for service under the Customs regulations.

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Derry County Council will, on 14th February, appoint a County Surveyor (whole time) for a period of six months at least at a salary of £700 per annum.

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Mr. M. Hassett has resigned his position as engineer to the Wexford District Council. Regret was expressed at the last meeting of the Council at the loss of his services.

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Mayo County Council invite applications by 22nd February for the post of Assistant County Surveyor for the Ballinrobe Rural District at a salary of £150, rising to £230, with travelling expenses.

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Belfast Water Commissioners have decided to erect a bathing station at the disused waterworks reservoir, Antrim road, at a cost of £4,500, to replace the present temporary building.

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The lowest tender received by Bray Urban Council for laying electric light cables was £1,269. As the engineer's estimate for carrying out the work by direct labour was £916, the Council decided to have the work done by direct labour.

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The Munster and Leinster Bank have in hands several schemes for providing additional branch offices in the country, and these will involve substantial expenditure. The original cost to date of all their bank premises totalled £675,000.

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The Cork Corporation has been notified that the Compensation (Ireland) Commission has awarded £75,267, in respect of the burning of the municipal buildings and city hall, of which £58,000 is to be expended on the construction of new premises.

The Ministry of Industry and Commerce has informed the Galway Chamber of Commerce that it has agreed that a rebate shall be given for the duty paid on varnish imported for the Galway toy-making industry, provided an undertaking is given that the varnish will not be utilised for any other purpose.

FAMOUS BRIDGE CONDEMNED.

Originally built by the Romans, Carmarthen Bridge, a massive stone structure of seven arches, which spans the River Towy on the main artery from the South Wales industrial areas to West Wales, has been condemned as unsafe by an inspector of the Ministry of Transport, who has recommended the erection of a new structure.

In 1233 Henry de Turberville, who came up the river in a vessel, "broke down the bridge" in his successful attempt to relieve the town of Carmarthen, which was besieged by Richard Marshall, the Earl of Pembroke. The records also show that in 1260 the bridge was broken "by pressure of ice," the river, although a tidal one, being frozen. In 1326 "a toll was raised for the renovation of Carmarthen Bridge." The bridge was twice widened prior to the seventeenth century.

BELFAST BUILDERS' ASSOCIATION.

SHORTAGE OF SKILLED LABOUR AND APPRENTICES.

New officers of the Belfast Builders' Association have been elected as follows:—President, Mr. R. B. Henry; vice-president, Mr. William Laverty; hon. treasurer, Mr. S. B. Thompson; hon. auditor, Mr. T. Thornbury. Committee—Messrs. H. and J. Martin, Ltd.; F. B. M'Kee and Co., Ltd.; M'Laughlin and Harvey, Ltd.; James Miskimmin and Sons, Ltd.; Courtney and Co., John Graham, C. and W. M'Quoid, and Collen Brothers.

The report adopted at the annual meeting stated that, generally speaking, conditions in the building trade during the past year have shown a decided improvement as compared with 1922, notwithstanding the fact that private building enterprise has not approached anything like its normal volume, possibly owing to continued depression in the general trade of the city. A satisfactory wages agreement had been entered into for a further twelve months from 1st May last. No dispute with the operatives had arisen. The unskilled operatives have been placed on a better footing than hitherto in comparison with the skilled trades.

It was regretted that a few builders outside the Association continued to pay rates of wages in excess of the standard rate agreed upon between the Association and the Operatives' Federation. This misguided policy is highly inimical to the best interests of the industry, inasmuch as it disturbs labour, thereby reducing output and ultimately hindering the placing of fresh contracts. Referring to the high rates of wages paid by municipal authorities to their workpeople, the report notes the result of the litigation between Mr. Herbert Quin and the Belfast Corporation, in which judgment was given against the Corporation for increasing the wages of their builders' labourers beyond the rates which had been fixed between the Belfast Builders' Association and the Operatives' Federation, and which had actually been adopted and acted on by the Corporation before the increase took place.

The extensive housing scheme undertaken by the Belfast Corporation have been responsible for the absorption of a very large proportion of the skilled workers in the district, so much so that builders in carrying out their ordinary contracts have been severely handicapped owing to shortage of the necessary labour. Another factor to be taken into account is the reduction of the working hours by 20 per cent.—viz., from 54 to 44 hours per week, which has been in operation for some years, the effect of which is now beginning to be felt, because more operatives are required to make up the old standard of production. The problem of the shortage of skilled labour is rendered more acute owing to the small number of apprentices coming forward in the various trades. This is a question for serious consideration between the employers' and operatives' organisations. With reference to output it is to be hoped the reports in regard to improvement are well founded, and that this, together with appreciable reductions which have been effected in the cost of building materials, will have a tendency to encourage a greater volume of private building in the near future.

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County Monaghan Board of Health has adopted estimates, amounting to £15,780, for alterations and additions to Castleblayney Workhouse.

TO INCREASE OUTPUT.

In connection with the British Government's housing policy, Mr. Thomas Shaw, Minister of Labour, has arranged a conference this week with representatives of employers and workers in the building industry, in order to consider and, if possible, to agree to steps for increasing the supply of a certain class of building labour which it is anticipated will be required in connection with the Government's housing programme. The Minister of Health will also be present at the conference.

WHEN THE LABOUR PARTY BUILDS HOUSES.

Speaking in Glasgow, Mr. James Stewart, Under Secretary of Health for Scotland, said he had used his powers and had informed the Glasgow authorities that they would not be allowed to build houses in excess of 24 to the acre. In the housing schemes which the Glasgow Corporation had in view to make way for slum clearances they wanted to build 48 to the acre. If the Corporation carried out its threat not to build under the conditions he laid down, the Government would ask Parliament in their new bill to give them powers to build houses themselves.

When the Labour Party built houses they would see that the people who built them would occupy them at rents from £14 to £15 per annum. When their whole scheme was completed they anticipated that the State would have to bear a burden of £40,000,000 per annum for housing. The Government also intended to take power to deal with the trusts. (A Voice—"Hang them.") "Oh, no," said Mr. Stewart, "we will not hang them as individuals, but we will take their industry from them, we will ask Parliament to give us powers, so that if they refuse to sell the materials to us at a reasonable price we will fix a reasonable price that will allow them a decent profit after meeting all costs. If they refuse to work under these terms, we will ask power from Parliament to compel them to get out and let the Government produce the materials themselves."

COMING EVENTS.

February 8—Dublin Society of Model and Experimental Engineers—"Talk on Motor Cycles" by Mr. L. Willis, University College—Earlsfort Terrace.
February 11—Engineering and Scientific Association of Ireland—Paper on "Steam Rollers and Boiler Trials," by Mr. A. H. Masser, B.Sc. (Eng.), F. London Univ. A.C.G.I.—University College, Earlsfort terrace.
February 16-25—Brussels Agricultural Machinery Exhibition.
February 28-March 22—Ideal Homes Exhibition, Olympia.
March 4-5—Royal Dublin Society's Bull Show and Sale. Ballsbridge.
April 11-26—Building Exhibition, Olympia.
April 28-May 9—British Industries Fair. Shepherd's Bush, London. Birmingham Section, May 12-23.
April to Oct.—British Empire Exhibition—Wembley.
May 5-10—Town Planning Institute Conference—Wembley Exhibition Halls.
May 13-18—Tobacco Exhibition, Amsterdam.
July 1-15—Commercial Industrial and Agricultural Sample Fair—Dunkirk, France.
July 14-19—International Advertising Convention—At British Empire Exhibition, Wembley.
July 28-Aug. 16—Deep Sea Fishing Exhibition—Royal Agricultural Hall, Islington.
Aug. 5-8—Royal Dublin Society's Horse Show, Ballsbridge.
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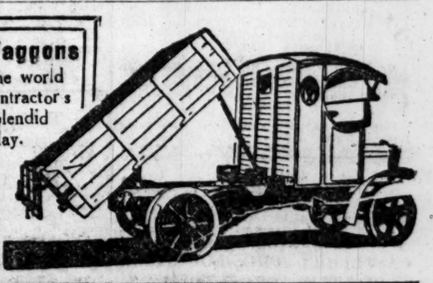

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February 6th, 1924. K.A.A.

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A JERSEY BANK SUSPENDS PAYMENT.

A good deal of excitement prevailed in Jersey yesterday over the announcement by the local branch of Banque Massiot, whose headquarters are at Nantes, that they had suspended payment. Large crowds of depositors gathered at the doors at the hour of opening, and police protection had to be sought. This branch was established locally about two years ago.

I am inclined to regard the London child as the hope of the nation.—Mr. W. Pett Ridge.

The Irish Times.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1924.

NEWS SUMMARY.

IRELAND.

Official information regarding the issue of broadcasting licences is published to-day.—(Page 7.)

A report from Belfast states that District Inspector Nixon, of the Royal Ulster Constabulary, has been suspended pending an official inquiry in connection with a public speech on the subject of the boundary which he delivered at a meeting in Belfast on the 29th of January last.—(Page 9.)

Captain Francis R. Eustace, following his release from custody in Dublin yesterday, by order of the Court of King's Bench, was re-arrested and charged before Mr. Lupton, K.C., with breaking into a store at Kilgarvan quay, County Tipperary. He was remanded on bail.—(Page 9.)

A number of prisoners were convicted at the Dublin Commission yesterday and were put back.—(Page 3.)

The Recorder of Dublin yesterday awarded £93,550 compensation in respect of destruction by fire of the Gresham Hotel, its furniture and stock, following the bombardment of Sackville street in July, 1922.—(Page 3.)

The Senate yesterday made progress with the Committee stage of the Courts of Justice Bill. A resolution calling the attention of the Government to the potential value of the Irish oyster beds was passed.—(Page 9.)

Rathmines Urban Council yesterday rejected a motion to institute competitive examinations for candidates for positions under the Council, and to make the Irish language a compulsory subject at such examinations.—(Page 3.)

GREAT BRITAIN.

A political sensation has been caused by an interview in which Mr. Lloyd George refers to a secret Rhineland pact made by the late Dr. Wilson and M. Clemenceau.—(Page 7.)

ABROAD

Vera Cruz has been completely evacuated by the Mexican rebels. With the flight of General de la Huerta, the insurrection is now regarded as broken.—(Page 7.)

Ex-President Wilson was buried yesterday in Washington. The funeral Service was followed by millions throughout the country by means of their wireless apparatus.—(Page 7.)

SPORTING.

The outstanding features of the first day's trials at Clounanna yesterday were the defeats of the favourites, Brave Show and Friendly Champion.—(Page 10.)

FINANCIAL.

London Stock Markets were very dull, and there was a tendency to take profits, especially in Oils.—(Page 11.)

There was great stringency in money in Lombard street, and night loans ran up to 3½ per cent. Discount rates were harder. The foreign exchanges moved rather sluggishly.—(Page 11.)

On Dublin Exchange National Loan improved both for fully and part-paid. Railway Stocks were irregular.—(Page 11.)

Water and Wealth.

The brief debate on oysters in the Senate of the *Oireachtas* yesterday has an agreeable significance. It shows that we are beginning to take careful stock of our natural resources. Sheridan said that "an oyster may be crossed in love," and now Dr. Sigerson credits the creature with another faculty. He says that oysters prefer the Free State to Northern Ireland as a place of residence. If he speaks truth, this loyalty has been ill-rewarded. Oyster culture has been the victim of long neglect in Ireland; but even twenty years ago the matter received far more attention than it receives to-day. Beds at several places in the South and West—Clifden, for instance, and Tralee—were kept in good order and their produce found a ready sale in the Dublin market. We do not know how these beds have fared in recent years, but we suspect the worst. The chief beds are in districts where lawlessness was most rampant; railway communications were interrupted; there was small demand for oysters among the bomb-dodging citizens of Dublin and Cork. We may assume, perhaps, that our oyster industry must be established *de novo*, and yesterday's debate furnished excellent arguments in favour of that course. The oyster has been in steady demand as a table luxury since Roman times. Its cultivation requires some care, but is not difficult; and oysters ought to be among the most profitable of the Free State's minor exports. The conditions necessary to success, which have been created artificially in England and elsewhere—such as a suitable bottom for the beds and an untainted flow of salt water—exist naturally around our coasts, and are appreciated in other lands. As Sir Thomas Esmonde pointed out, the Arklow banks supplied the seed for France's flourishing oyster industry in the Garonne. The Senate's resolution asks the Government to appoint persons who, after due inquiry, will report to it upon the present state of the country's extant oyster beds and the possibilities of their extension and improvement. We hope that the request will be granted.

A nation's Parliament has one function that is always important, and is most important, perhaps, in the earlier days of national progress. Its debates educate the people in public affairs. The *Oireachtas* is not yet the efficient instrument of education that, no doubt, it will become. Some leading interests are unrepresented in *Dail Eireann*, and the most essential of all interests—agriculture—is represented by a party which has failed hitherto to evolve an instructed and scientific policy. Nevertheless, during recent months, *Dail* and Senate have made substantial contributions to the country's industrial and political education. The debates on the Courts of Justice Bill have illuminated the vital connections between law and trade. The problems of fiscal policy are beginning to be made intelligible to the masses of the people. The farmer's needs are understood far better to-day than in the years when his battles were fought at Westminster. If we may judge by the letters which have reached us from all parts of the country, the *Oireachtas* has roused and clarified the public mind in a special degree by its debates on the potential wealth of our Irish lakes and rivers. Everybody realises now that our inland fisheries, which were more or less neglected even in the most peaceful days of British government, can be developed as a rich source of income to individuals and to the State. Everybody has begun to perceive that the protection of these fisheries is a duty which patriotism and self-interest alike impose upon him. There is a good prospect that very soon the poacher, who hitherto has robbed the nation with complete impunity, will find himself *medios delapsus in hostes*. This new sense of the economic significance of law will be a valuable asset not only to the Minister of Fisheries, but to the whole Administration. It is one of the steadily accumulating guarantees of national prosperity.

A Housing Policy.

The new British Government intends to launch a great building programme in order to overtake the housing shortage which has been growing more and more acute since Mr. Lloyd George's famous land Budget. At least three hundred thousand new houses are required immediately, and the Socialist Minister for Health is at his wits' end to find a plan by which the shortage can be overtaken. Every year in Britain between eighty and one hundred thousand new houses are needed to replace old buildings and to accommodate persons who have been turned out of condemned slums. It is estimated that before the housing problem can be solved at least an additional 125,000 new houses must be provided every year. A conference was held in London yesterday, under the auspices of the Minister for Health, which was attended by the Minister for Labour and representatives of the employers and the trade unions connected with the building industry. The chief difficulty in the way of Mr. Wheatley's proposal to build 200,000 houses every year for the next twenty years is the problem of labour. Unskilled labour is plentiful enough, but there is a decided lack of bricklayers, plasterers and slaters. Some kind of "dilution," therefore, is inevitable. When Dr. Addison was Minister for Health under Mr. Lloyd George he proposed that the trade unions should allow ex-Service men to be trained in a short period, and then to be absorbed into the building trade; but the unions would not hear of the suggestion, and apparently they are raising the same objections now. If they persist in this attitude, nothing can be done. It is estimated that the total number of bricklayers in Britain has fallen since the war by fifty *per cent.*, and there can be no real effort to launch a housing programme on a large scale until the deficiency has been filled.

Clearly the trade unions must give way on this point. Most of the Labour leaders recognise this fact now, but they will not consent to "dilution" until they secure guarantees of continuous employment. They demand also a guarantee that the rents of the new houses shall be low enough to enable working-men and their families to live in them. Similar difficulties exist in the Free State, where the housing shortage also is acute. The Free State Government is prepared to spend large sums of money on new houses, but labour costs must be reduced and an efficient army of skilled workmen must be enrolled. The housing problem is the most important social question of our time. The Free State never can hope to flourish while such a large number of its inhabitants are housed in filthy hovels in the country or herded together like animals in city tenements. If Labour is prepared to accept "dilution," with a reasonable reduction in wages, and if employers and contractors are prepared in their turn to forego a certain percentage of their profits, thousands of good houses can be built in the Free State during the next twelve months. The alternative to wage reduction is greater output, but here again organised Labour, with its rules and regulations limiting the number of bricks which a man may lay in an hour, obstructs the path. In Britain the Socialist Government seems to be determined to carry its plans to success, and, if it can overcome the prejudices of its own trade unions, an enormous "boom" in building will follow. The Free State Government ought not to lag behind. Every week's delay in making a start adds to the difficulties of the task. Large areas in Dublin actually are falling to pieces, and the general housing conditions of the country are a disgrace to an intelligent people.

The Sugar Supply.

Another advance is threatened in the price of an essential commodity. During recent months the wholesale price of sugar has increased, and it is feared that the retail price cannot be maintained at its present level. A halfpenny *per* pound is the anticipated rise in London. Two increases of 6d. *per* cwt. have taken place during the last fortnight in the wholesale price. West Indian crystallised sugar now costs 65s. *per* cwt.—seven shillings more than in last August. The reason which is given for the change is the keen competition between Europe and America for Cuban supplies. Sugar grown within the British Empire has the advantage in the English market of a preferential tariff of 4s. 3d. *per* cwt., or nearly a halfpenny a pound on refined sugar. This preference is guaranteed for ten years, but the proportion of such sugar to the total imports into the United Kingdom is not more than 27 *per cent.* The threat of an attack on the breakfast table will cause misgivings among housewives. Suggestions have been made lately that beet sugar could be cultivated in Ireland, and any substantial increase in the cost of imported supplies ought to stimulate such an enterprise. Weather conditions at present are delaying the marketing of Continental beet sugar. Hints have been thrown out in some quarters that the world's sugar supply is restricted by "rings"; and, if the price continues to mount, there is likely to be a demand for facts.

Dancing in Hotels.

The champions of "brighter London" have won a notable triumph. On Tuesday the London County Council passed a resolution which permits dancing in hotels and restaurants after midnight on five nights a week, instead of two, as is the case at present. The British Empire Exhibition, which, like the Tailteann Games in Dublin, has become a stock argument for social relaxation, was advanced in favour of the change. The new order will come into operation on April 1st, and is terminable at the end of the Exhibition. The Council evidently realises that visitors from Overseas will wish to dance even after twelve o'clock, and desires to remove the temptation of dubious "night clubs" from their path. Since the war the craze for dancing has become almost universal, and the London County Council was wise to recognise the fact. By withholding permission the councillors could not have stopped dancing. They could have succeeded only in driving it underground, to haunts of suspicious character and promiscuous membership. By allowing respectable hotels and restaurants to remain open after midnight the Council has increased the innocent attractions of London for many thousands of foreign visitors. We hope that Londoners, in their newly-found freedom after April 1st, will retain their sense of proportion and will not press for more sweeping concessions.

COURT AND PERSONAL.

The Prince of Wales was the guest of Lord Dalmeny at Mentmore Towers for the meet of the Whaddon Chase Hounds at Hurdlesgrove, when one of the best runs of this season was followed by three shorter gallops. There was a large field, which included Earl Beatty, the Countess of Ancaster, Lord Ivor Churchill and Viscount Wimborne.

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Elaborate arrangements are being made to welcome Princess Mary on the occasion of her visit to Bradford, when she will open the new premises of the Y.W.C.A. The guard of honour will be furnished by the Bradford Girl Guides, and after the opening ceremony the Princess and Viscount Lascelles will be entertained at luncheon in the Town Hall, and later will attend a performance of "The Magic Flute" by the British National Opera Company.

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London promises to be the popular rendezvous for crowned heads next May, when, in addition to the King and Queen of Rumania and the King and Queen of Jugo-Slavia, whose visits are definitely fixed, the King and Queen of Italy propose to visit England. News comes from Brussels of a similar intention on the part of the King and Queen of the Belgians. At present Queen Elizabeth is visiting the Grand Duchess of Luxembourg, who has sustained a bereavement in the death of her sister. Among the ex-Royalties will be King Manoel and Queen Augusta Victoria, who are now at Cannes, but will return to London in May for the season.

The Marquis of Bath was received by the King at Buckingham Palace and took leave of His Majesty on relinquishing his appointment of Master of the Horse. Other members of the Royal Household—the Earl of Clarendon, Lord Hylton, Major Harry Barnston, M.P., and Captain Douglas Hacking, M.P.—were also in attendance and delivered up their wands and insignia of office.

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Lady Katherine Hamilton has left Hatton Grange, Shifnal, where she was staying with her sister, Lady Mary Kenyon-Slaney, and has joined the Duke and Duchess of Abercorn in London. The Marquis and Marchioness of Linlithgow are at their Scottish home and will not come South for some time. Lord and Lady Francis Scott are remaining in London for another month, and will then pay several visits before returning to Kenya Colony in April. Lord and Lady Edward Grosvenor are on their way back from Monte Carlo and will arrive in London to-morrow.

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Viscount Milner is staying at Rio Tinto and will not return to England till the middle of March. Sir Robert and Lady Garran have left England for Melbourne. Sir Edward and Lady Preston have started for Algiers and will spend the next six weeks abroad. The Hon. Lady Gatacre has left Whinfell House, Crowborough, for Bordeaux. Sir Edward and Lady Hulton and party are staying at Assuan. Viscountess Maitland is making a long stay in the United States and will not return to England before May.

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The veteran French writer, Anatole France, is again indisposed, but has been permitted to see several friends. Sir John Lavery, A.R.A., is in a nursing home after a slight operation, but is reported to be progressing favourably. Lady Alexandra Curzon is now convalescent and will leave the nursing home on Saturday. Viscountess Sandhurst has made an excellent recovery and was able to return to London yesterday. Madame Olga Novikoff is pronounced to be out of danger.

Switzer's Millinery Buyer has returned with beautiful early Spring Models and a big variety of Sports and Semi-trimmed Hats.

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S.E. and S.W. Ireland. — *Wind westerly or north-westerly, light or moderate; mainly cloudy; slight local rain or drizzle; visibility moderate to good; moderate temperature.*

South-West Seaboard.—*Wind westerly or south-westerly, moderate; cloudy, with local drizzle; visibility moderate or good; sea moderate.*

Irish Sea and St. George's Channel.—*Wind north-westerly or westerly, light or moderate; cloudy; slight rain in places; visibility moderate or good; sea moderate.*

North-West Seaboard.—*Wind westerly to south-westerly, moderate or fresh; cloudy; occasional rain or drizzle; visibility moderate or good; sea moderate or rather rough.*

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THE DUBLIN UNIVERSITY DRAMATIC SOCIETY.

GOVERNOR-GENERAL AT THE GAIETY THEATRE.

The Governor-General of the Irish Free State was present last night at a performance of "Pilkerton's Peerage" by the Dublin University Dramatic Society at the Gaiety Theatre. His Excellency was accompanied by the Misses Sullivan and Mrs. Cullen, and was attended by General Cullen, A.D.C. President Cosgrave was also present, with Mrs. Cosgrave, Commandant Byrne, and Mr. Magan.

The Governor-General was received by Mr. Charles Hyland, manager of the theatre, and by Sir Robert W. Tate and other officers of the Society.

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Sir Anthony Hope's comedy was admirably performed. The little shortcomings which were noticeable in the initial performance on Monday had disappeared, and the piece went smoothly and well. At this second performance of the piece the good impressions of the first performance were rendered still more favourable as regards, particularly, the acting of Mr. P. H. Rooney as the Hon. Lucius Vandean, and of the two ladies in the cast—Miss Angela Kelly as Lady Hetty Wray, and Miss Mabel Brittain as Ida Pilkerton. Mr. Herbert Bailey's performance as Joshua Pilkerton again won high praise.

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In an interval a new song entitled "The March of a Nation," which has been written by Mr. L. A. McDonnell, and orchestrated by Mr. W. S. Nabarro, was sung by Mr. McElheevy, and was repeated in response to applause.

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To-night and to-morrow night have been appointed as the College gala nights.

NEW LONDON PLAY.

"THE FAIRY TALE," AT THE APOLLO THEATRE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
LONDON, Wednesday.

"The Fairy Tale" is misnamed. True, in a prologue, a mother tells her little boy that the world is a wonderful place, and he can do anything he likes in it and become anything he plans, so long as he overcomes the giants on the road through life.

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The boy grows into a soldier, a brave and popular hero, who loves and marries a girl of gentle birth, in spite of an aristocratic rival. He has great wealth left him and much honour bestowed on him, but returns from a campaign to find that his former rival has become his wife's lover. In a strong scene the wife confesses that she is about to become a mother and asks for the protection of his name. The young man then finds that he has his greatest giant to fight, himself, and that it is too strong for him. However, his mother, who had left him 20 years before to go abroad, returns in time to remind him never to lose faith—that it is not enough to stand alone; he must help his loved ones to stand by his side. He forgives his wife, and all ends happily in the traditional story-book manner.

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The prologue and the ending have the only resemblance to a fairy tale that I could find. All the rest was "penny novelette" stuff, thickly plastered with sentiment in an effort to make it palatable. There was hardly an attempt at humour, and the one character in the first act who might have relieved things was so overacted by Lady Tree as to become almost farcical. Miss May Edginton, the authoress, has drawn one or two of the characters well. The mother is well depicted and most sincerely acted by Mary Jerrold; also the girl's father is a most lovable old man, and was charmingly played by C. V. France. The heroine was a little hard, and the character was not helped by Miss Moyna MacGill's interpretation.

The hero was in the capable hands of Godfrey Tearle, probably the best romantic actor we have, and he did everything he could to make the character, both as a young soldier in love and as a General fighting his last battle, convincing and effective.

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The play was excellently produced, and the most goregous setting had been provided.

ST. ULTAN'S CONCERTS.

ELGAR: SCHUMANN: FOLK SONG.

The Elgar "Quintet in A Minor" was given last night at the monthly concert in the Engineers' Hall, Dublin, in aid of St. Ultan's Hospital. The public spirit and enthusiasm for music which brought the works of Arnold Bax, and now this masterly quintet to a hearing in Dublin, cannot be too highly commended.

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The Elgar Quintet is "music of most refined nature and purest individuality"—to quote from a great writer. He also says, "What you (the listener) must take with you is a personal capacity for spiritual calm and spiritual joy." Certainly the work teems with lofty and stupendous thought, and could not be properly appreciated at a first hearing. Therefore, the notes that were given yesterday were all the more welcome, and should prove of lasting value to the many students present. "Elgar is not for lazy hours," and we must look to ourselves if we do not follow him. The first movement of the Quintet contains an incredible amount of thematic theme, variation, and treatment, and, like most of Elgar, is apt to be too tumultuous, too crowded, and it is only when we hear it in perspective as a whole that its power can be felt and understood.

The *Adagio* reminds one of "Gerontius" in its aloof, absorbed exaltation, while the brilliance of the *finale* makes an electric climax. There is no solo work, though each instrument at times is heard distinctively in thematic phrases of singular beauty against the other players in semi-accompaniment. Those who have watched the growth of these artists, and the sympathy and understanding with which they approach the new as well as the classical in music, must have felt that at last they were coming into their own in the enthusiasm they aroused in the big audience last night. Schumann's "Quartet, Op. 47" was also given in brilliant illustration.

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Miss Mary Maguire sang two groups of songs with the fidelity and grace of style that always mark her work. She was at her best in "Dodo Lullabye," from the Pyrenean group, where the soft vowels were brought out with remarkable beauty of note. From the old Scottish songs, "The Ash Tree" was a miniature tone-poem. What other land can give us such songs of inimitable feeling, and appeal in so few lines! Miss Maguire sang seven Scottish songs: each a little gem. She was helped very considerably by the unobtrusive and careful accompaniments of Miss Julia Grey.

TO-DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS.

Gaiety Theatre—"The Man from Blankley's," 7.45.
Theatre Royal—"Scandals of 1924," 6.45 and 9.
Queen's Theatre—"Dublin To-Night," 6.45 and 9.
Abbey Theatre—"Meadowsweet" and "The Shadow of a Gunman," 2 c.m.
Olympia Theatre—"Reflections," 6.45 and 9.
Tivoli Theatre—Varieties, 6.45 and 9 p.m.
La Scala Theatre—"Safety Last," 3 to 10.30.
The Grafton—"The World's Applause."
Metropole Cinema—"The Hottentot."
The Carlton—"A Man of Action."
Sackville Picture House—"The Invisible Fear."
Rotunda Pictures—"The Crimson Challenge" and "Plunder."
Corinthian—"Omar the Tentmaker."
Princess, Rathmines—"The Outside Woman" and "The Idle Class."
Stella, Rathmines—"Polly of the Follies."
Bohemian Picture House—"The Sin Flood," 4.30, 7 and 9.15 p.m.
Dun Laoghaire Picture House—"Three Live Ghosts."
Pavilion, Dun Laoghaire—"Passion," 3.30, 6 and 8.30 p.m.
Christian Science Lecture, Church Edifice, Rathmines Park, 8 p.m.
Exhibition of Pictures, etc.—Mills' Hall, Merrion Row.
The Senate, 3 p.m.
Port and Docks Board, 1 p.m.
Farmers' Conference, 37 Upper Fitzwilliam st., 11.
Dublin Sessions, Dublin Castle, 11 a.m.
Dublin Commission, Green street, 11 a.m.

RINDERPEST ERADICATED IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

It is officially announced that the recent outbreak of rinderpest in Western Australia has been completely eradicated.—(Reuter.)

LONDON LETTER.

PEACE CONFERENCE SECRETS.

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON,
WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

Following upon the death of President Wilson it is possible that there may be some interesting revelations concerning the making of the peace in Paris in 1919. To-day we have

SECRET PACT SURPRISE.

MR. L. GEORGE'S "DISCOVERY."

A REMARKABLE INTERVIEW.

PROMPT DENIALS.

M. CLEMENCEAU AND MR. WILSON.

MR. Lloyd George has caused a stir in Downing street, the Quai d'Orsay and Washington as the result of an interview published in the *New York World* by Mr. Harold Spender, a Liberal journalist, who is an intimate friend of the ex-Premier.

Mr. Lloyd George is alleged to have declared that a secret pact was arrived at between Dr. Woodrow Wilson and M. Clemenceau on the occupation of the Rhineland during his absence in London.

The interview has produced a crop of denials and explanations.

The British Foreign Office has issued a statement which diplomatically suggests that "in one or two respects the interview, as reported, is not accurate"; the French Foreign Office categorically and vigorously declares that no secret document was concluded; while, on the other hand, Colonel House, who was the ex-President's right hand man in Paris, boldly challenges th. production of the document, which, he says, "may be found not to meet altogether the views of Mr. Lloyd George."

M. Tardieu declares that the "document is the product of a delirious imagination. There was never any secret agreement between M. Clemenceau and Mr. Wilson. To describe as a secret agreement a proposal which had been for two weeks in the hands of the British and American delegates, and which, owing to the absence of Mr. Lloyd George, was approved by Mr. Wilson thirty-six hours before the British Premier, is preposterous. If Mr. Wilson were still alive, he would add his denial to the one which I regret having to make to the ex-Prime Minister of Great Britain."

THE INTERVIEW.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE AND A SECRET PACT.

Mr. Harold Spender and a few other political friends were spending a couple of days with the ex-Premier at his Surrey home, which, on Sunday morning, was invaded by a convoy of American Pressmen, with whom Mr. Lloyd George conversed about Dr. Wilson. The writer (Mr. Spender) proceeds:—

Then he came back to us and talked more generally about his experiences with Dr. Woodrow Wilson during the making of the Treaty.

There was one thing which seems to have taken Mr. Lloyd George very much aback about Mr. Woodrow Wilson, and that was his sensitiveness to criticism. Case-hardened himself by forty years of violent political warfare, the British statesman found it difficult to understand the fine susceptibility of one who had been in politics for only six years when he came to Europe; but as he was talking on this point his mind struck upon an illuminating comparison.

"There is a corner of the North-west in Canada where if a tenderfoot goes he is destroyed by mosquito bites. Woodrow Wilson was a tenderfoot amid the mosquitoes of the Paris Press. Where others, especially M. Clemenceau and myself, had been innoculated by long, bitter experience, President Wilson was galled to extreme suffering. It soon came to this—that he would do almost anything to escape from those attacks. That is the real explanation why at Paris he surrendered so many of his ideals. He hoped to disarm the mosquitoes, but he only sharpened their appetites."

One of the company asked for an instance of this.

"Well, there was the fifteen years' military occupation of the Rhine frontier by the Allies. I was opposed to it. I seemed to foresee that if the French once occupied the frontier they would not leave it, and my forecast has already been borne out by events. But I was called away to London at the critical moment on that negotiation by the famous attack in the House of Commons organised by Lord Northcliffe's telegram. When I returned I found that President Wilson had surrendered to M. Clemenceau, and thus the French gained that right to occupy the Rhine country, which was finally included in the Treaty."

He went on very slowly and carefully. "I have only quite recently discovered that during my absence in London M. Clemenceau and President Wilson signed a secret compact on this question. Yet I have always been attacked by many people in England as the villain of that piece."

He broke off with a laugh. "Yes," he said, "I have just received the documents from the Foreign Office. The French now wish to publish the agreement between President Wilson and M. Clemenceau and desire me to agree. It is a little late to ask for my consent. I have never seen the documents before."

One of the party spoke of the possibilities of Revolution being produced in England by the access of Labour to power. Mr. Lloyd George gravely replied:—"It is a tradition of this country to carry out Revolutions peaceably. We do not love the operation of violence in our changes; but even there do not let us be over-confident. If our foreign trade were to get even worse and our domestic troubles increased, if we were to be forced to bear an even larger number of unemployed, then Heaven alone knows what might befall us. Such a situation could not last. Still I do not think I shall see a British Revolution in my day."

FRENCH CHAMBER.

OBSTRUCTIONIST TACTICS.

PARIS, Wednesday.

In the Chamber of Deputies to-day the first article of the Government's proposals dragged on through the morning and afternoon. Before the vote was taken on the article, a series of amendments were dealt with. These amendments, which tended to limit the scope of the powers conferred on the Government under the article, formed part of the Opposition's obstructionist tactics, and were duly rejected after the mover had succeeded in occupying the time of the Chamber for about half an hour.

When M. Herriot proposed the discussion of two paragraphs of the first article, M. Poincaré refused, and made it a question of confidence. The Chamber then rejected the motion by 265 votes to 16.

The session will be resumed to-morrow.

EX-PRESIDENT WILSON.

The Chamber interrupted the debate on the finance proposals to vote a resolution for transmission to the United States House of Representatives expressing deep regret at the death of ex-President Wilson, and referring to his efforts to bring about a definite peace and international understanding. M. Poincaré declared that France would not forget that President Wilson had called the Rhine the "frontier of liberty." He had devoted his whole life to the ideals of justice.

The resolution was carried unanimously, after which the sitting was suspended for a short time as a sign of respect.

M. CLEMENCEAU INTERVIEWED.

"A CRAZY INVENTION," SAYS M. TARDIEU.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Wednesday.

Mr. Lloyd George's allegation of a secret pact between the late President Wilson and M. Clemenceau, while he himself was away in London, causes complete mystification here.

The *Quai d'Orsay* says that it knows nothing about it. M. Clemenceau says he attaches no importance to it, and M. Tardieu, his closest henchman at the time and since, declares that "the suggestion is crazy, if it is not worse."

At the *Quai d'Orsay*, when I called, complete surprise was expressed. "Nothing I can recall," says a high official, "could explain such a statement.' M. Perretti de la Rocco, the Director of the Foreign Office himself, could suggest nothing, and other officials who were in close attendance at the Peace Conference were equally in the dark.

A search of records was begun, and it is believed to-night that it may be possible to-morrow to issue a definite disclaimer.

M. Clemenceau was not inclined to talk. "Perhaps, to-morrow I may," he said, "when I have been able to read Mr. Lloyd George's whole statement."

I asked him if he knew he was charged with making an agreement behind Mr. Lloyd George's back. "Yes," he replied; "but I attach no importance to it."

"Might I conclude from that that you think ——" But M. Clemenceau said that I must not conclude anything, and asked to be excused from discussing a text that he had not seen.

M. Tardieu, whom I saw when the Chamber rose to-night, was reserved.

"It is a crazy invention," he declared. "These negotiations about the occupation of German territory went on for almost six weeks. Final agreement was reached on the 26th or 27th of April. I cannot say at this interval whether Mr. Lloyd George was there, but I can confirm that whenever discussion took place between two, without the third being present, the latter was invariably informed.

"To talk of a secret pact is sheer foolishness. There is no pact outside the Treaty, agreed and signed by all."

In regard to the allegation that the death of Mr. Wilson was awaited before publishing the documents relating to the making of peace, it is pointed out that M. Poincaré announced his intention to make them public as long ago as last December. The British Government was consulted, and copies of the documents it was proposed to include were sent to London. It is believed here that they were then submitted to Mr. Lloyd George for his views before being sent to the printer.

COMMENT ON THE INTERVIEW.

1: British Foreign Office.

The British Foreign Office last night, after the publication of part of the interview, supplied the following facts in answer to inquiries:—

The Foreign Office has been notified that the French Government intend to prepare a Yellow Book containing certain documents connected with the drafting of Articles 428 to 431 of the Treaty of Versailles. The consent of His Majesty's Government to the publication of these documents is necessary, in view of the agreement reached by the Peace Conference, under which the official record of the proceedings of the Conference were not to be published.

On January 22nd the Foreign Office decided that, before replying to the French Government, it would be only courteous to acquaint Mr. Lloyd George with the proposal, since, in conjunction with President Wilson and M. Clemenceau, he had been concerned in the discussion of the matter.

A letter was written on January 25th by an official of the Foreign Office to Mr. Lloyd George's Secretary, asking him to ascertain whether Mr. Lloyd George had any objection to the publication of the documents, and enclosing the proof sheets. There could be no doubt of the purpose of the Foreign Office, nor of the nature of the communication, as the following sentences from it show.

"We feel that, before replying to the French, we ought to consult Mr. Lloyd George, who was one of the parties to the discussion at the Peace Conference, from which these documents took shape. I have consequently been directed to ascertain, through you, as soon as possible, whether he sees any objection, from the personal point of view, to their inclusion in the Yellow Book, presumably that the other Governments interested likewise raise no objection. Please return the proof sheets with your answer."

No answer has been received. The proof sheets have not been returned, and the first indication of the letter having reached Mr. Lloyd George's hands comes from this alleged interview. It will be seen from the above that, in one or two respects, the interview, as reported, is not accurate.

2: French Foreign Office.

PARIS, Wednesday.

The following is the text of a statement issued here this evening by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, in connection with the Lloyd George interview:—

Before replying to Mr Lloyd George's allegations, the French Government will wait until it possesses the text, and for the present will confine itself to stating that it has not waited until President Wilson's death in order to request the consent of the British Government to publish the Yellow Book which contains the points relating to the elaboration of articles of the Treaty of Versailles, the points concerning the security of France, as well as the Treaties of guarantee.

Instructions to this effect were signed on December 24 last. The French Ambassador in London made the necessary representations before January 8 this year. The French Government knows of no document to which Mr. Lloyd George's allusions appear to be directed. No secret document was concluded between President Wilson and M. Clemenceau, and if there were any conversations during an absence of Mr. Lloyd George the latter learned the result on his return, and gave his approval on April 22, 1919. (Reuter.)

3: Col. House.

NEW YORK, Wednesday.

Colonel House, when asked to comment on Mr. Lloyd George's statement, said—"Since the statement has been made that President Wilson and M. Clemenceau signed a secret document involving the occupation of the Rhine, let us have the document. When it is published it may be found not to meet altogether the views of Mr. Lloyd George, but I feel sure that the American people will be satisfied with the action, if any, which President Wilson took in this matter."

Others who were closely associated with Mr. Wilson at the Peace Conference, Mr. Robert Lansing, General Bliss, and Mr. Bernard M. Baruch, declared that they never heard of the reported understanding, and one of them characterised it as preposterous.—*Times* telegram.

DUBLIN SLUMS.

HOW GLASGOW DEALT WITH HER PROBLEM.

Mr. W. Kaye Parry writes:—"In the Journal of the Royal Sanitary Institute issued this month there is an article by Mr. A. Horsburgh Campbell, City Engineer of Edinburgh, which contains some remarkable figures. It appears that in 1892, within the limits of five improvement areas attacked by the Corporation for their slum state, the medical officer's testimony is that the death-rate was 45.5 per 1,000, whilst in 1910, within these same areas as cleared and reconstructed, it was 15 per 1,000. For zymotic disease the pre-improvement rate was 9.5. 16 fell in 1910, within the same area, to 1.4. For phthisis the pre-improvement rate was 3.83. In 1910, post-improvement, it became .40. In the case of other tubercular diseases it dropped from 7.1 to .40. Members of the Civics Institute and other bodies interested in the welfare of the citizens of Dublin would do well to read Mr. Campbell's paper."

I hold the view that as a rule life gets much better after you reach fifty years of age.—Dr. Dinsdale Young.

SIR R. SQUIRES.

ACCOUNT NOT EXAMINED FOR THREE YEARS.

FINANCES OF "DAILY STAR."

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND, Wednesday.

The cross-examination of Sir Richard Squires, the ex-Prime Minister, which was opened yesterday before the Court of Inquiry which is investigating certain charges against him, was continued to-day.

Sir Richard Squires admitted that liabilities totalling $30,000 for the *Daily Star* newspaper existed when he left for England in August, 1920, but he made no special arrangement with the bank regarding them, being satisfied that his secretary, Miss Miller, through her power of attorney and signed blank promissory notes left with Miss Sanders, his personal secretary, for Miss Miller's use could handle the situation.

After his return in December he was too engrossed with official duties and political work to ask any questions as to how she had financed the newspaper during his absence. He did not learn until March, 1921, that she had obtained over $40,000 from her brother to finance the *Star* through his account. In stating this, she told him that she expected that the British Empire Steel Corporation would "pick-up" the amount as a campaign donation.

Asked by the Commissioner if he thought it proper to accept money from this corporation, Sir Richard replied that he would not have accepted it in the previous summer, when a contract was being negotiated, but he saw nothing wrong in accepting it then because the contract had been signed some months before when he was away, and Mr. Coaker was acting as Premier.

Questioned further as to whether the company before ratification did not suggest a revision, he agreed, but emphasised the fact that the contract went through unchanged.

Asked if he had ever in conversation with Mr. Miller in he summer of 1920 mentioned that he was "out" about 80,000 dollars on campaign expenses, he replied that he might have done so, but denied ever asking Mr. Miller to arrange the accommodation of 65,000 dollars for him for two months while absent from the colony, because the large amounts which he expected to receive had not materialised.

The witness added that he had never discussed money matters with the principals or officials of the steel company, and they had never asked him for any consideration for this 46,000 dollars.—(Reuter.)

LETTER FROM I.R.A.

READ AT BIRMINGHAM CREDITORS' MEETING.

A letter, said to have been handed to a Birmingham man by the Irish Republican Army, was read at a meeting of creditors of John Mason, at Birmingham, yesterday. Mason carried on business as a manufacturing jeweller. He alleged that a patrol of the Irish Republican Army ambushed him near Dublin, and confiscated £800 worth of stock which he had with him. This loss, he said, was one of the causes of his failure.

The letter was read as follows:—

Irish Republican Army, Brigade Headquarters, Dublin, 23-3-'23: "You are hereby warned to discontinue supplying goods to, or in any way trading with, the Free State Government or its Army. You will only supply goods, etc., when taken by force from you by the Free State Government. Confiscation of your goods will follow breaches of this order.

(Signed.) "A. B., Adjutant, *per pro* O.C. Brigade."

The official receiver said that he would have inquiries on the subject made in Ireland.

IRISH FREE STATE ARMY.

WHY RECRUITS ARE WANTED.

Considerable interest has been aroused by the advertisement in yesterday's papers, asking for 4,000 young men to join the National Forces of the Irish Free State. The public were under the impression that demobilisation, rather than enlistment, was what was desired with the Ministry for Defence.

An explanation of the apparent inconsistency has been given to the *Irish Times* by one high in authority in the Ministry. It seems that the rank and file have been reduced to 23,000 men, and of these very many will be time-expired in a short time. A surprisingly large number are waiting to go back to civil life as soon as their military engagement expires, and if there was no provision for replacing them the strength of the Free State Army would, by the end of the financial year, be far below what is considered necessary.

On the other hand, a good many ex-soldiers are tired of searching for employment in civil life, and want to get back to the Army. Only ex-members of the National Forces will be accepted, and they must be unmarried young men, willing to serve for two years. The rates of pay have been reduced, but still a private will have 21s. a week clear, and a company sergeant 38s. 6d. Dependents' allowances will not be payable.

AIR MAIL LIMITATIONS.

LITTLE SCOPE FOR EXPANSION.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Wednesday.

The Air Mails Committee set up by the Government to consider our present arrangements, and the possibility of improving them, evidently do not see any immediate prospect of a huge increase in air-borne mails. The Committee consists of Lieutenant-Colonel Moore Brabazon, M.C. (Chairman); Major-General Sir Sefton Brancker, Director of Civil Aviation, and Brigadier-General F. H. Wilhamson, Director of Postal Services.

On the question of internal services within Great Britain, they say that there is very little scope for internal air mails services in present conditions, and the introduction of night flying would not increase to any material extent. The existing air mail services between England and the Continent are, the Committee states, so far as letter mails are concerned, in the nature of express services, and cannot expect to obtain more than a small fraction of the traffic. For parcel mails they offer wider, though still limited, possibilities.

The right line of development for letter air mail services to and from the Continent, it urges, is to be found in combination with train and steamer services working by night. The only practical policy for the Post Office, at any rate, in the absence of night flying, and of complete reliability of air services at all times of the year, is to maintain the present system under which no letter is sent by air unless it is marked by the sender for air transmission and prepaid with a special fee.

On the question of Imperial services, the Committee says that at the present stage of development, the most hopeful field of Imperial air mail services on a commercial basis is to be found along the main lines of Imperial communication, not by the routes to outlying and commercially unimportant territories.

LIMERICK BY-ELECTION.

A Convention of Republican delegates from Limerick City and County met in Limerick on Tuesday evening, when it was decided to contest the seat in the Dail which has been rendered vacant by the resignation of Dr. Richard Hayes, one of the members for Limerick.

Mr. Tighe Crowley, Ballylanders, was selected as Republican candidate.

BELFAST UNEMPLOYED.

Two armoured cars and a patrol of a score of policemen, accompanied a demonstration of Belfast unemployed, which marched through the streets of the city yesterday, headed by a band.

BURIAL SERVICE BY WIRELESS.

FUNERAL OF DR. WILSON.

INDUSTRY HALTED.

CROWDS PRAY IN THE STREETS.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday.

Ex-President Wilson was laid to rest this afternoon in the crypt of the Bethlehem Chapel of the Cathedral of St. Peter and St. Paul. Enormous crowds lined the route of the funeral procession from the Wilson home to the Cathedral.

The Church bells rang throughout the country, and all business was suspended from half-past twelve onwards, and the commercial establishments in Washington and many other cities were closed.

The Service at the chapel was broadcast throughout the country, a radio set having been installed in the sacred building, and thus the Service was followed by millions of people. Amplifiers carried the Service to thousands outside the chapel.

Among those who went to the Wilson home for a private Service were the President, members of the Cabinet, and a few senators.

The text of the Funeral Service, conducted by Bishop Freeman, was: "The Lord is my Shepherd." The bishop read from a well-thumbed Bible, which ex-President Wilson read nightly during the war. After the bishop had read: "I am the Resurrection and the Life," the choir sang, "The strife is o'er, the battle done."

Eight sailors, eight soldiers, and eight marines were the active pall-bearers. Mrs. Wilson invited the staff at the White House, which had served her husband when President, to attend the funeral.

Over the doorway of the spot where the body lay were the words, "This way to peace."

FROM THE PRESS ASSOCIATION SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday.

Under lowering skies, with occasional flurries of snow, without ceremonial trappings, but yet with the highest honours bestowable on a private citizen, the body of ex-President Wilson was laid to rest this afternoon, in the peaceful little Bethlehem Chapel of the Cathedral of St. Peter and Paul. Only 400 could find a space within the chapel, but hours before the funeral *cortège* left Mr. Wilson's home, where a brief preliminary Service was held for the benefit of sixty of the deceased's closest friends, the streets were densely lined with silent throngs paying a last tribute to one who, though frequently reviled at his prime, has at his passing become the nation's idol.

Congress stood idle, the great Government departments were silent and empty, and throughout the country the machinery of commerce and industry was halted for a brief space in honour of America's war-time President.

Apart from the soldiers and marines lining the route, and a small group of officers representing the Army and Navy, the procession of twenty carriages had little to distinguish it from the funeral of any ordinary citizen.

No music broke the dead hush as the coffin, shrouded with the American flag, was carried out of the house by ten soldiers of the Marines. Thence the procession moved on slowly to the Cathedral, amid the hushed crowds, many of whom knelt in silent prayer. The actual entombment was witnessed only by the immediate members of the family—President Coolidge, the members of the Cabinet, and other guests, including the Diplomatic representatives, having left the chapel after the pronouncement of the Benediction.

Then to the accompaniment of the mournful wailing of the organ, the coffin was finally lowered into the vault, where it will rest until a fitting memorial has been erected.

While the Service was extremely exclusive in one sense, in another probably no funeral in the history of the United States has been so widely participated in. The thousands who gathered in the vicinity of the Cathedral were able to listen to the solemn words of Scripture, the singing of the choir, and the prayers by means of amplifiers within the building, while literally millions could hear the same programme in their own homes throughout the country as carried over their wireless.

The Service began with verses 25 and 26 of the 11th chapter of St. John's Gospel, and included the singing of "The day is dying in the West," the reading of the 15th chapter of 1st Corinthians, the reciting of the Apostle's Creed, and the Lord's Prayer.

Owing to an attack of acute indigestion, Mr. Taft, the only living ex-President of the United States, was unable to act as one of the honorary pall-bearers. It was intended that he should represent the Supreme Court, but his place was taken by Judge Brandeis, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court.

NO GERMAN MOURNING.

BERLIN, Wednesday.

The official announcement is made here that the German Ambassador in Washington had asked the German Government whether he should officially express the sympathy of the Government on the death of ex-President Wilson. The Government replied that there was no occasion for an expression of sympathy in the name of the Government, and that it must be left to the Ambassador to decide in what form he personally wished to participate in the national mourning.—(Reuter.)

MEMORIAL SERVICE IN DUBLIN.

ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL.

In connection with the funeral of ex-President Wilson, a Memorial Service took place last evening in St. Patrick's Cathedral. It was conducted by the Dean of St. Patrick's, the assisting clergy being:—Canon D. F. R. Wilson, Treasurer; the Rev. J. L. Atkinson, Dean's Vicar; and the Rev. J. P. Butler, Succentor. Dr. Hewson was at the organ, and there was a full choir. The Service was opened with the singing of the anthem, "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God." The Dean then read the opening sentences of the Burial Service. The 90th Psalm having been sung, the Lesson was read by the Dean. The anthem, "The Radiant Morn," was followed by the remaining prayers of the Burial Service, with the exception of the committal sentences. They were read by Canon D. F. R. Wilson. The Service was brought to a close with the playing of the Dead March from "Saul."

Among the congregation were noted:—Monsieur Blanche, the French Consul, and Madame Blanche, both wearing deep mourning; Monsieur Jean Vacher Corbière, the French Vice-Consul; and the Rev. Dr. Denham Osborne.

TOKENS OF SYMPATHY.

In token of the national sympathy the Government flag at Upper Merrion street was flown yesterday at half-mast.

At the American Consulate the national flag was at half-mast, as were other flags in the city.

The Free State Minister for External Affairs, Mr. Desmond Fitzgerald, sent a message of sympathy to the widow of the ex-President on behalf of the Free State Government.

SENTENCED TO BE SHOT.

FATE OF RUSSIAN GENERAL.

RIGA, Wednesday.

Moscow advices state that the military tribunal at Chita has sentenced General Pepelaieff and twenty of his adherents to be shot. Forty-five others have been sentenced to ten years' imprisonment, and eleven to five years. After the liquidation of Admiral Koltchak's army, General Pepelaieff led various operations in different parts of Siberia. He was taken prisoner last summer, and it was reported at the time that he signed a document of repentance. It is considered probable, the despatch adds, that he will be reprieved.—(Reuter.)

CHURCH REUNION.

ENGLISH PRIMATE'S VIEW.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, addressing the Convocation of Canterbury in London yesterday, made a statement about the Malines conversations. He emphasised the fact that they were not even within measurable distance of negotiations, but private conversations were taking place about the respective history and doctrines of the Church of England and the Church of Rome.

He would certainly feel that, were they at some future time to reach a stage in which the word "negotiations" would be appropriate, it would be essential that those who would then be going out should be men who represented the different points of view which had a legitimate place in the Church of England. For him to have stamped out the very suggestion of conversation, however informal, would have been to belie the whole spirit and principle of the appeal to all Christian people of the Lambeth Conference.

Unity of the forces of Christian men on earth might be a long way off, but they must continuously strive thitherward. And while holding for dear life to what they solemnly believed to be truth, they must beware lest they turned a deaf ear or a blind eye to the slightest movement in the direction of a new understanding of the Gospel of God.

MEXICAN REBEL COLLAPSE.

EVACUATION OF VERA CRUZ COMPLETE.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday.

Mr. John Q. Wood, the American Consul-General at Vera Cruz, reports that the "entire evacuation" of the town by the insurrectionists has been peacefully effected, and states that Vera Cruz is again under the control of the civil authorities.

The United States cruiser Richmond, Mr. Woods further states, has entered the harbour, and Admiral Magruder is co-operating with him in an effort to restore normal conditions.—(Reuter.)

MEXICO CITY, Wednesday.

War Department officials declare that, with the flight of General De La Huerta, the rebel leader, from Vera Cruz, the backbone of the insurrection has been broken. The General is believed to be heading for Merida, the capital of Yucatan, as would seem to be indicated in wireless messages from his steamer containing final requests, instead of orders, to the rebel military commanders in the Campeche, Yucatan and Tuxpam regions.

It is believed here that the occupation of Vera Cruz by the Federal forces will not be delayed beyond the end of the present week.—(Reuter.)

BELFAST HORSE SALES.

BIG PRICES REALISED FOR CLYDESDALES.

A sum of 220 guineas was paid by Mr. Marshall, Stranraer, at the monthly sale at Robson's, Belfast, yesterday for Rademon Sunshine, a roan mare Clydesdale, owned by Mr. John M'Roberts, J.P., Rademon, Crossgar, Co. Down.

Mr. J. Mark, of Myroe, Londonderry, paid 150 guineas for Rademon Lucy, a black mare Clydesdale, also belonging to Mr. M'Roberts.

BUSINESS FIRST.

FOOTBALL FOLLY AT LEEDS CORPORATION.

When Leeds City Council opened its monthly meeting yesterday afternoon, Alderman A. E. Masser proposed an adjournment until five o'clock in order that the members might attend the cup-tie between Leeds United and West Ham. Sir Charles Wilson, M.P., seconded.

There were protests from several members that to take such a course would make the Council look silly, and, on a vote being taken, it was decided by 31 votes against 25 not to adjourn.

Several members, however, at once left the Town Hall to witness the match.

INFLUENZA IN DUBLIN.

DOCTORS REPORT EPIDEMIC ON THE WANE.

The medical officers at South Earl street Dispensary, Dublin, in a letter, which was read at the meeting of the Dublin Union Commissioners yesterday, reported that, as the influenza epidemic was abating, they were now able to cope with the work, and accordingly were dispensing with the services of the temporary medical officer.

INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC IN GREAT BRITAIN.

The British Ministry of Health, in the course of a statement on the influenza epidemic, says that in the week ending January 26, the number of deaths from influenza in the 105 great towns increased from 153 to 236, and in London from 49 to 74. Provisional figures for the week ending February 2 record 367 deaths in the great towns, and 122 in London. This increase of influenza mortality in the great towns is substantially the same proportionately as in the previous week, so that it may be regarded as certain that the absolute maximum of the epidemic has not yet been reached, and, perhaps, will not be reached for another two or three weeks. Having regard, however, to the slackening of the rate of increase, it does not appear probable that the mortality in any one week will be as severe as that of 1922, the aftermath of the serious 1918-1919 epidemic.

OBITUARY.

DR. WILLIAM W. BRERETON.

The death took place on Tuesday at Prospect Hill, Galway, of Dr. William Westropp Brereton, M.R.C.P.I., M.R.C.S.I., Professor of Surgery, University College, Galway. Son of the late William Westropp Brereton, Q.C., of Fitzwilliam square, Dublin, he was born in Dublin in 1845, and was educated at Trinity College and the Royal College of Surgeons. He became qualified in 1865, and was demonstrator in anatomy under Professor Cleveland in Galway in 1866. From 1866 to 1888 he was medical officer of Oughterard Union. He married in 1871 Helen, youngest daughter of Mr. J. Doig, Oughterard House, surgeon to the Hon. East India Company.

DERRY PRESBYTERY.

PROPOSED BOUNDARY CHANGES NOT APPROVED.

In response to inquiries from the Judicial Commission of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, Derry Presbytery yesterday declared itself as of opinion that boundaries of the Church Courts should not be determined by State boundaries.

The Presbytery also considered the proposed scheme of the Donegal Presbytery to be unworkable.

BELFAST SHIPBUILDING.

SUCCESSFUL LAUNCHING OF NEW LINER.

The ss. City of Venice, specially designed for passenger and cargo service between Great Britain and India, and built to the order of the City of Oran Steamship Company, Ltd., was successfully launched from Messrs. Workman, Clark and Co.'s South Yard, Belfast, yesterday.

The new vessel is over 470 feet in length, with a gross tonnage of 8,400. She will be completed in April.

TO-DAY'S LONDON PAPERS.

THE RECOGNITION OF MEXICO.

A LESSON FROM RUSSIA.

We publish this morning an instructive instance of the inter-dependence of foreign affairs from the British point of view, remarks *The Times*. There is no direct political connection between Mexico and Soviet Russia. Yet the recognition of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics has had an immediate effect upon the discussions which were inaugurated recently between the Foreign Office and the representative of President Obregon, Senor Nieto, Mexican Minister to Sweden, who had been instructed to proceed to London for the special purpose of negotiating the recognition of the Mexican Republic by Great Britain.

As the result of a preliminary meeting, it was understood that the first step towards this desirable end would be a discussion of British claims against the Mexican Government on account of damage caused to property by revolution or other means. In the brief interval that has elapsed, Mr. Macdonald has accorded recognition to the Government of the Soviet Republics. The Mexican delegate in London is reported thereupon to have refused point blank to enter upon any preliminary discussions before recognition is granted to the Government of President Obregon. He maintains that Mexico is more worthy of it than Soviet Russia, and that no argument can be adduced against recognition which could not have been used with much greater force in the case of Russia. Mexico has neither violated its treaties nor carried on propaganda against the British Empire, nor repudiated its national debt. Logically, the Government can hardly resist this argument. Their recognition of the Bolshevists has created a precedent. Whatever they may think of the case of Mexico, they now have, in consequence of their procedure with regard to Russia, one less argument for delay.

RED ARMY MUTINY

A STRANGE PICTURE.

In a message from Riga yesterday, *The Times* Correspondent says:—The chronic local disturbances in the Ukraine are apparently gaining in seriousness. It is reported to-day that they have developed, in the Karkoff district, into a regular insurrection, of which the Communist *nuclei* recently passed resolutions supporting the opposition within the Communist Party. The movement there is directed by Divisional Commissar Poluyaroff. The insurgents carry banners, inscribed "A Soviet Government without Communist Dictatorship."

The ruling triumvirate in Moscow are alarmed by the extensive support of the opposition shown by the army, especially since the publicity recently given to the quarrels within the Communist Party has encouraged rebellious sections which had hitherto been unaware of the extent to which other sections were imbued with th same spirit of discontent. Thus, we have the strange picture of the Bolshevists, having forfeited the confidence of the workmen and peasants, relying on the Tsarist officers to support their shaky position against the officers produced by thier own proletarian military schools.

THE SHADOW CABINET.

EX-MINISTERS INVITED TO ATTEND.

The *Daily Express* Political Correspondent writes:—Mr. Austen Chamberlain, ex-leader of the Conservative Party, and Lord Birkenhead, ex-Lord Chancellor, have been invited by Mr. Baldwin to attend the deliberations of the leaders of the Conservative Party, thus becoming members of what is usually known as the Shadow Cabinet.

BIG JAPANESE LOAN.

The *Daily Express* says that an immense financial operation, on behalf of the Government of Japan, is about to take place in London and New York. Money is required for reconstruction in the earthquake areas, and for the purpose of repaying £35,000,000 in 4½ per cent. Bonds, which mature in 1925. The loan to be floated will be under the auspices of the financial houses, and the terms offered will be attractive to investors.

AMERICA AND BRITAIN.

The Diplomatic Correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph* writes:—In connection with the American Ambassador's recent speech on arbitration, I gather that in America the much-hoped-for initiative towards the conclusion of an agreement on the subject between Great Britain and the United States is expected to originate rather with the London than with the Washington Government. The matter will doubtless receive the early consideration of Mr. Macdonald and his colleagues.

BARONET'S TRAGIC DEATH.

Sir John Stewart, Bart., of Fingask, Perthshire, of the firm of Alexander, Stewart and Son, whiskey distillers, and retail wine and spirit merchants, Castle street, Dundee, died under tragic circumstances at Fingask Castle yesterday. Sir John, who for some time has been staying at his residence at Bronghty Ferry, went out to Fingask yesterday, and was there found dead. In addition to his Dundee business, he was financially interested in large English and Scottish concerns.

POET LAUREATE'S NEW POST.

The *Daily Express* says that Dr. Robert Bridges, the Poet Laureate, is about to take up one of the most curious posts ever offered to a writer. He is understood to have consented to go into residence within the precincts of a Michigan University for three months, and be accessible. The Honorarium will be a four-figure sum in pounds sterling.

HOUSES AND LABOUR.

The *Westminster Gazette* says that, as an outcome of the conference on housing yesterday, the official announcement is made that the employers and operatives are to formulate definite proposals for the consideration of the Government. It is a step in the right direction, although it is premature to build hope upon the conference.

LUDLOW SELECTIONS.

DAILY TELEGRAPH.

2. 0—Reading. 3.30—My Stars.
3. 0—Ben Cruchan. 4. 0—Indian Gipsy.

DAILY MAIL.

1.30—Rine Diamond. 2.30—Lavender Kid.
2. 0—Comether. 3. 0—The Sheriff.
Special selection—Comether.

RUSSIAN RECOGNITION.

ITALY WANTED TO BE FIRST IN THE FIELD.

ROME, Wednesday.

Italy has made up her mind that the postponement of the signing of her treaty with Russia is Great Britain's fault, on the ground that British recognition has deprived Italian recognition of the value it would have had if Italy had been first in the field. In official and diplomatic circles to-day, it is asserted that the Marquis Della Torretta, the Italian Ambassador in London, will be immediately recalled, on the ground that he had furnished Signor Mussolini with imperfect and misleading information as to the date and character of the British recognition of the Soviet Government.—(*Times* Telegram.)

TURKEY'S NEW ERA.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Wednesday.

Speaking at a banquet in honour of the journalists from Constantinople, Mustapha Kemal Pasha said that the soul of the Turkish nation, which was believed to have been suffocated by the Sultans, was now restored. Thanks to the annihilation of the Crown and the Throne of the Sultanate, a new era of Republicanism had opened in Turkish history.—(Reuter.)

BROADCASTING

LICENCES NOW BEING PRINTED.

SCALE OF FEES.

BAN ON IMPORTED SETS REMOVED.

We are officially informed that forms of licence are at present being printed, and it is hoped to issue the "listening-in" licences shortly.

In the meantime all applications received since the 2nd instant are being recorded for attention. Applications made prior to that date should be renewed.

The fees charged will be those set out in the White Paper, viz.:—

Ordinary Licence Constructor's Licence Schools and Institutions Licence	£1 per annum
Occasional Licence for Special Purposes	£1
Hotels, Restaurants, Public House, etc., Licence	£5 per annum
Amusement Purveyor's Licence	£1 per week

The licences will be for a term of twelve months—save the amusement purveyor's licence, which may be for any shorter period not less than one week—and will cover all licence fees for that period. As soon as an Irish Broadcasting Station has been established the Post Office will adjust the fees paid with the Broadcasting Company.

A manufacturer's, trader's or dealer's licence will not now be necessary, and all restrictions on imported parts or sets from any country are removed, so far as the Post Office is concerned.

WIRELESS OF THE FUTURE.

POSSIBLE INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMMES.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Wednesday.

The wireless programme of the near future promises to be an astonishing thing. Captain P. B. Eckersley, Chief Engineer of the British Broadcasting Company, shares with Mr. David Sarnoff, the General Manager of the Radio Corporation of America, the view reported in the *Irish Times* on Tuesday that radio round the earth will soon be achieved. In an interview to-day, Captain Eckersley suggested that there was no reason why the wireless programme, say, of 1930 should not be something like this:—

8.30 p.m.—Address by President of the U.S.A. to the English people.
9. 0—Reply by British Prime Minister.
9.15—Song from Australian Back-woods.
9.30—Opera from Berlin.
9.45—A few words from China.
10. 0—An Indian love song.
10.15—Violin solo from Russia.
10.30—Duet by nightingales in Surrey copse.

All this would be heard by the owner of a modest crystal set. No revolutionary discovery, said Captain Eckersley, is needed to make radio round the earth possible. It is chiefly a question of international co-operation, and of technical development. Existing telephone wires would be used wherever possible, because they are more reliable than wireless.

Already he added, the system is possible all over Europe. The Atlantic is the great difficulty; but, no doubt, this problem will be solved in a few years. Captain Eckersley does not agree with Mr. Sarnoff that it would be desirable to have one programme for the whole world.

"In England," he explained, "if we had put up one mammoth station we could have broadcast the same programme to the whole country. But we find that Manchester likes one programme, London another, and so on. The people of the Manchester area like to hear speeches of local interest, which might be apt to bore Londoners."

The ideal programme, he considers, would be made up of the best items broadcast from the various countries. He also finds it impossible to agree that broadcasting in the future will be both "universal and free."

"Universal—yes," he said; "but someone has got to pay for it." Mr. Sarnoff's suggestion was that the manufacturers of wireless instruments should tax themselves the necessary percentage to pay for the entertainment broadcast.

COLLECTORS SUSPENDED.

MONAGHAN COUNTY COUNCIL'S ACTION.

Monaghan County Council has suspended two of its collectors—Messrs. Edward McGahey and J. McArdle—for not having their collections closed on January 31st after having been given extension of time.

The Chief Clerk stated that McArdle had collected about half of his total, and McGahey had lodged £800 out of a total of £2,580.

Collector McGahey pointed out that he had obtained

£3,000 DAMAGES.

DAIL COURT AWARD IN LAND DISPUTE.

Judgment was delivered by Mr. Commissioner Crowley in the Dail Eireann (Winding-Up) Court at Dublin Castle yesterday in the case of Nagle and Sullivan v. Tarrant and others.

The action was for £3,000 damages for conspiracy and intimidation by the defendants in preventing the sale of a farm at Dromdowna, near Mallow, Co. Cork, which was in the joint ownership of the plaintiff, Thomas Nagle and the personal representatives of the late Mary Nagle

The Commissioner dismissed the case, with costs, against Robert Tarrant and Garrett Tarrant, who were not identified with acts which led to the abandonment of O'Connor's arrangement to purchase for £8,000, and as against the other defendants he gave a decree for £5,000 and costs, the amount being the difference between the £8,000 contracted by O'Connor and the £5,000 obtained from the subsequent purchaser.

NORTHERN HORSE BREEDING.

SUCCESSFUL STALLION SHOW AT BELFAST.

The second annual exhibition of stallions under the auspices of the Royal Ulster Agricultural Society was held yesterday in the Balmoral Show Ground, with the object of selecting animals for premiums under the Horse Breeding Scheme, 1924, of the Northern Ministry of Agriculture.

The show, which was inaugurated last year, takes the place of the annual selection of premium animals in the different counties. All the animals are now brought together at one centre, and more uniformity is obtained in regard to the selection.

The entries were excellent in the different classes, and competition proved keen in consequence. Fortunately the weather was favourable, and the work of the judges was carried through in good time.

THE AWARDS.

The following are the awards:—

Thoroughbred Stallions—1, W. E. Hurst, Enniskillen—General Villa; 2, Thomas Finch, M.R.C.V.S., Dungannon—Bee Fast; 3, John Hutton, Downpatrick—Evicted; 4, John Bamber, Ballymena—Barocco; 5, Thomas Lindsay, Crossgar—King Elgar; 6, Robert Lawther, Crossgar—John Gay; 7, Thomas Lindsay, Crossgar—Meru; reserve, A. Snodgrass, M.R.C.V.S., Strabane—FitzRichard; highly commended, John B. M'Roberts, Ballyoran, Co. Down—Perimac; commended, H. R. Morrison, Coleraine—Clydebridge.

Clydesdale Stallions—1, Matthew Cowan, Goshalen, Derry—Flash Crusader; 2, M. and S. Marlo, Derry—Craigie Chorus; 3, Thomas Lindsay, Crossgar—Rademon Camouflage; 4, John Wright, Newtownards—Dunure Supporter; 5, James H. Wray, Raphoe—Baron Brilliant; 6, James H. Wray, Ballyholey—Favourite; 7, Thomas Lindsay, Crossgar—Alexus; reserve, James Mullan, Coleraine—Rialto; highly commended, J. F. Marshall, Maghera—Morcar; and John G. Drennan, Limavady—The Tatler; commended, Andrew Bryans, Carrickfergus—Black Buchlyvie, and H. R. Morrison, Coleraine—Auchenbrook.

PREMIUM ANIMALS.

The premiums offered by the respective County Committees of Agriculture were awarded as follows:—

Thoroughbred Stallion Section:—

County Antrim, three premiums of £65 each.—1, John Bamber, Farm Lodge, Ballymena—Barocco.

County Down, five premiums of £60 each.—1, John Hutton, Downpatrick—Evicted; 2, Thomas Lindsay, Crossgar—King Edgar; 3, Robert Lawther, Crossgar—John Gay; 4, Thomas Lindsay, Crossgar—Meru; 5, John B. M'Roberts, Dundonald—Perimac; 6, Captain R Hall, Warrenpoint—Wildfellow; 7, F. J. Hamilton, Katesbridge, Co. Down—Faithful Boy.

County Fermanagh, one premium of £60.—William E. Hurst, Killyhevlin, Enniskillen—General Villa.

County Londonderry, one premium of £60.—H. R. Morrison, Meath Park, Coleraine—Clydebridge.

County Tyrone, two premiums of £55 each.—1, Thomas Finch, M.R.C.V.S., Dungannon—Bee Fast; 2, A. Snodgrass, M.R.C.V.S., Strabane—FitzRichard.

Clydesdale Stallion Section:—

Co. Antrim, seven premiums of £35 each.—1, M. and S. Mark, Myroe, Co. Derry—Craigie Chorus; 2, James Millen, Coleraine—Rialto; 3, John C. Drennan, Limavady—The Tatler; 4, H. R. Morrison, Coleraine—Auchenbrook; 5, Andrew Bryans, Carrickfergus—Black Buchlyvie; 6, John H. Crawford, Randalstown—Rademon Buchlyvie; 7, Francis Russell, M.R.C.V.S.—Beardmore; 8, Alex. Legge, Carnlough—Glenhead Radiant.

Co. Down, 6 premiums of £40 each.—1, Thomas Lindsay, Crossgar—Rademon Camouflage; 2, John Wright, Newtownards—Dunure Supporter; 3, Thomas Lindsay, Crossgar—Alexus; 4, John C. Drennan, Limavady—The Tatler; 5, P. M'Nabb, Portaferry—Aerodrome; 6, Robert M'Kee, Donaghadee—Muirhouse Index.

Co. Fermanagh, two premiums of £40 each.—1, John C. Drennan, Limavady—The Tatler; 2, Guy Beatty, Kilsheery, Trillick—Special Edition; 3, C. M. Graham, Lisnaskea—Milecross Togo.

Co. Londonderry, five premiums of £40 each.—1, Matthew Cowan, Goshaden, Co. Londonderry—Flash Crusader; 2, James H. Wray, Raphoe—Baron Brilliant; 3, James H. Wray—Ballyholey Favourite; 4, James Millen, Coleraine—Rialto; 5, J. F. Marshall, Knockakielt, Maghera—Morcar; 6, John C. Drennan, Limavady—The Tatler; 7, H. R. Morrison, Coleraine—Auchenbrook; 8, John Gamble, Kilrea—Sprucefield Prince; 9, James H. Wray—Kilmacolm Cadger.

Co. Tyrone, five premiums of £35 each.—1, James H. Wray—Baron Brilliant; 2, James H. Wray—Ballyholey Favourite; 3, J. F. Marshall, Maghera—Morcar; 4, John C. Drennan, Limavady—The Tatler; 5, James Crammond, Omagh—Royal Bilsland; 6, David Craig, Tyrone—Meath Park Peerless; 7, James H. Wray—Kilmacolm Cadger.

NATIONAL GALLERY OF IRELAND.

A meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians of the National Gallery of Ireland took place yesterday. There were present—Senator the Earl of Mayo (in the chair), Right Hon. Jonathan Hogg, P.C.; Miss Sarah Purser, A.R.H.A.; Thomas Bodkin, Barrister; R. C. Orpen, R.H.A.; N. Blair Browne, R.H.A.; Sir Philip H. Hanson, C.B.; Dermod O'Brien, P.R.H.A.; H. C. Tisdall, R.H.A.; Senator W. B. Yeats, and the Director, Mr. Lucius O'Callaghan.

The Director's report for the year 1923-24 was considered and passed.

The appointment of Senator W. B. Yeats and Sir John Lavery to be members of the Board was noted.

The following resolution was proposed, seconded, and passed by the Board unanimously, the Board standing:—"That this Board has received with great regret the intelligence of the death of the Right Hon. Lawrence A. Waldron, who was for seventeen years an assiduous and valued member of the Board."

Nine pictures and a piece of tapestry were selected for the National Collection from those comprised in the conditional bequest of Mr. Edward Martyn. Among these pictures are two works by Degas, one by Claud Monet, and one by J. B. Corot.

A bust of General Michael Collins, the work of Mr. Doyle Jones, was ordered to be purchased.

At Manchester Police Court yesterday, Francis Wilson Booker was committed for trial, charged with the murder of Percy Sharpe (14), at Carr's Wood, Northenden

From February 18th "Back to Methuselah" will be staged for a season at the Court Theatre, London. Most of the original Birmingham players will appear in this London revival.

In order to see for himself the conditions under which Post Office sorters work, Mr. Vernon Hartshorn, the Postmaster-General, travelled from Cardiff to Paddington in a mail van.

ROYAL BANK CLERKSHIPS.
Candidates should note that at the last Examination (Oct., 1923) 7 Appointments were gained by pupils of Rossa College, Stephen's Green, Dublin.—(Advt.)

NEWS IN BRIEF

GRAIN CONTROL AT VANCOUVER.—Vancouver grain interests have decided to establish a Clearance Board to control the port's grain business.—(Reuter.)

PRINCE INSPECTS BOOT FACTORY.—The Duke of York, as President of the Industrial Welfare Society, yesterday inspected the boot factory of Messrs. Crockett and Jones at Northampton.

FELL FROM CLIFF INTO SEA. — At Cruden Bay, Aberdeenshire, yesterday afternoon, Olive Hutcheon, 4, whose parents reside in Port Errol, fell over the cliff into the sea and was drowned.

WIFE AND SON DROWNED.—The bodies of the wife of a nursery worker, Mrs. Ada Jordan, 42, and his son, Jack, 5, who were missing from their home since Tuesday, were found yesterday in the lake at Cedars' Park, Waltham Cross.

NEW ZEALAND'S PROSPERITY. — "Our financial, industrial, and commercial position has vastly improved during the last two years," said Mr. Massey, Premier of New Zealand, at Wellington, last night. He added that the State revenue for the ten months to January 31 amounted to £19,851,833, an increase of £755,163 over the corresponding period of last year. The expenditure amounted to £20,690,582, a decrease of £617,355.—(Reuter.)

ATTACKS FATHER, AND COMMITS SUICIDE.—Early yesterday morning, at Edinburgh, Norman Tait (23) attacked his father with a razor, cutting his throat, and then turned the weapon on himself, inflicting a fatal wound in his throat. The police, on being called, removed the father to hospital. He is understood to be out of danger. The son had been unemployed, and returned home on Tuesday from a sanatorium. His behaviour was then noticed to be peculiar.

TELEPHONE PIONEER'S DEATH.—A verdict of death from natural causes was returned at an inquest in Chelsea yesterday on Mr. Graham Buckley (67), who died in Chelsea Infirmary following a slight accident. Mr. Edward Collins, consulting engineer, said that Mr. Buckley was the founder of the Edison Bell Company, and it was mainly through his efforts that the telephone was introduced into England. He had lost a great deal of money in speculations.

GENERAL'S DIVORCE ACTION.—The hearing was continued in the London Divorce Division, yesterday, of Brigadier-General Legge's petition for divorce from his wife, Rose Eleanor Legge, on the ground of her alleged adultery. William Landorf, the German Swiss ex-manservant, who is co-respondent in the case, was permitted by the judge to cross-examine the petitioner, and Mrs. Legge gave evidence, in the course of which she declared: "My answer to this abominable allegation is a complete denial." Mr. Justice Hill observed that the hearing was proceeding in a most irregular manner.

DOCTOR'S SUICIDE. — A verdict of suicide was returned at the inquest at Cannock, Staffs, yesterday on Dr. A. H. Syree, 61, one of the most popular medical men in the Cannock Chase coalfields area, who died, following a sudden collapse in a publichouse. An analysis of the organs of the deceased revealed the presence of strychnine, and the Coroner said that there was no doubt at all, after hearing the evidence, that the doctor, before he left his surgery for the publichouse, a short distance away, took a dose of strychnine. There was no possibility that he had taken the poison by accident. There was nothing to show why the doctor should have taken his life, and no evidence was available as to his state of mind at the time.

BROADCASTING.

To-day's Programme.

[In view of the Postmaster-General's decision to grant licences for the use of wireless receiving sets in the Free State, we have arranged for the daily publication of the broadcasting programmes which are issued from the principal centres in Great Britain.]

LONDON (Call **2 L.O.** Wave 365 metres.)
3.30-4.30—Concert—The Wireless Trio. 5.0—Women's Hour—"Training the Young idea" by the "Splasher," the bungler, "The Busier You're Needed," by Helen Grieg Souter. 5.30—Children's Stories—Uncle Leslie will join Uncle Humpty Dumpty and Auntie Hilda in "Pip at the Zoo." 6.15—Boy Scouts' and Girl Guides' News. 6.25-6.45—Interval.
7.0—Time Signal and 1st General News Bulletin. S.B to all Stations. Percy A. Scholes, "The Week's Music." S.B. to all Stations. Radio Society Talk. S.B. to all Stations. Local News and Weather Forecast.
7.35—The London Vocal Quartette—Nursery Rhymes (Walford Davies). 7.45—Elie Spivak (Solo Violin)—Sonata in E Major (Handel), Adagio, Allegro, Largo, Allegro. 8.0—The Poems of John Keats (1796-1821), by C. A. Lewis. 8.15—Quartettie—"As Torrents in Summer" (Elgar), "The Heartrending Story" (Easthope-Martin), "Over the Wooded Upland Hills" (Vaughan), "The Minstrel Boy" (arr. Dunhill). 8.30—"From My Window," by Philemon. 8.35—Elie Spivak—Slavonic Dance (Dvorak-Kreisler), Air on the G String (Bach), Tambourin Chinois (Kreisler). 8.45—Quartettie—Gypsy songs (Brahms). 9.0—Extracts from the Dickens Fellowship Commemoration Dinner at the Connaught Rooms. Speakers—Sir Walter Lawrence and others. 9.30—Time Signal and 2nd General News Bulletin. Local News and Weather Forecast.
9.40—"The Magic Flute," Act II (Mozart). from The Royal Opera House, Covent Garden
10.30—Mr. Allen S. Walker, the well-known historical lecturer, on "St. Albans Abbey." 10.45—"The Magic Flute," Act III. (Mozart). from The Royal Opera House, Covent Garden. 11.20—Close down. Announcer, J. S. Podgson.

BOURNEMOUTH (Call **6 B.M** Wave 335 metres).
3.45—Gladys Ives' Concert Party—Evelyn Durrant (soprano), Gladys V. Ives (contralto), Joy Blakeley (elocutionist), Reginald Noel (tenor), Norman (Grundy (baritone), Gay Hartley (at the piano). 4.45—Women's Hour. 5.15—Kiddies' Hour. 6.0—Boy Scouts' and Girl Guides' News. 6.15—Scholars' Half-Hour—Monsieur Peppin, B.A. (Paris), "Language Talk" (French).
7.0—News. S.B. from London. Percy Scholes S.B. from London. Radio Society Talk. S.B. from London. Local News and Weather Forecast.
7.35-11.20—The entire Programme S.B. from London. Announcer, W. R. Keene.

MANCHESTER (Call **2 Z.Y.** Wave 375 metres)
11.30-12.30—Concert by the "2ZY" Trio. 5.0—Women's Hour. 5.25—Farmers' Weather Forecast. 5.30—Children's Hour. 6.15—Boy Scouts' and Girl Guides' News. 6.25 Francis J Stafford, M.A., M.Ed.—French Talk. 7.0—News. S.B. from London. Percy Scholes S.B. from London. Radio Society Talk. S.B. from London. Local News and Weather Forecast.
7.35—W. H Cradock's Glee and Madrigal Prize Choir—Songs of the Fleet, Stanford: (Baritone Solo and Choir)—(a) "Sailing at Dawn"; (b) "The Song of the Sou' Wester"; (c) "The Little Admiral"; (d) "Farewell" "Part Song, "The Dance" (from the Bavarian Highland) (Thiman). T. H. Morrison (Solo Violin)—"Chant sans Paroles" (Tchaikovsky), Serenade (Pierne). Jean Gordon (Entertainer) in Selections from her Repertoire. W. H. Cradock's Choir—"Song of the Vikings" (Faning). 8.15—Miss Gordon B. Jackson on "Ben Jonson." 8.30—W. H. Cradock's Choir—Part-Songs "In Autumn," "In Silent Night," "Love, Fare Thee Well," "The Falcon" (Brahms).
8.45—Jean Gordon (Entertainer) in Selections from her Repertoire. 9.0—T. H. Morrison, "All Upgarische" (Wilhelmi). 9.15—W. H. Cradock's Choir—North Country Folk Songs, "Come, Dorothy, Come" (Traditional), "Bobby Shaftoe" (Traditional). 9.30—News and Weather Forecast.
9.40—The Magic Flute, Act II. S.B. from London. 10.30—Mr. Allen S. Walker, S.B. from London. 10.45—The Magic Flute, Act III. S.B from London. 11.20—Close down. Announcer, Victor Smythe

PARIS:—Wave 1,780.
12.30—Cotton and Exchange Rates News. 12.45—Tzigane Orchestra. 1.45—Exchange Rates. 4.30—Grain, Cotton, and Metal Markets News. 4.45—Concert. 5.45—Racing Results and Political News. Chronique Feminine, by Radiolette. 8.30—News. Radio Chronique. De L. Ecran. Radio Chronique Des Anciens Combattants. Radio Chronique de la Peinture, by Jean Goujhat. 9—Concert, Ed. Bigot., M. Bergeret and the Folies Bergeres. 10 to 10.45—Cours de Danse, by M. Jean Schwartz.

EIFFEL TOWER.—Call F.L. Wave 2,600.
11.15 a.m.—Time Signal. Weather. 3.40 and 5.30 p.m.—Stock Exchange. 6.10—Concert. 10—Weather.

CARE OF SICK CHILDREN.

WORK OF DESERVING DUBLIN INSTITUTION.

A meeting of supporters of the St. Patrick's Infant Home and Nursery College was held at the College premises, 39 Mountjoy square, Dublin, yesterday.

Mr. Paul Gleeson, on behalf of the Committee, thanked all who had given the Home support. That institution had taken in sick children who would not be admitted to other hospitals. He hoped it would soon be possible to establish, in connection with the Home, a cottage home in the country, where their little patients might recuperate in healthy surroundings.

Dr. Crichton said that people hardly realised what the institution achieved in the preservation of child life. What they badly needed was modern hospital equipment, so that the children entrusted to them might be given every chance.

Miss McCallam, Matron, said that they had eighteen sick children in the Home at present. Many cases had to be turned away for want of accommodation. A special observation room was needed in order to safeguard against the introduction of epidemic diseases.

THE SECRETARIAL COURSE at SKERRY'S COMMERCIAL SCHOOL, 10 Harcourt st., Dublin is the best possible preparation for a Business Career, and includes expert tuition in Shorthand, Typewriting, Book keeping, Office Routine, etc. Prospectus free.—(Advt.)

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

THE COURTS OF JUSTICE BILL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Mr. Robert J. Kidney, of the Merchant Drapers' Association of Dublin, seems, like so many other critics of the Courts Bill, not to have read it. If I am in error in this deduction, I would suggest to him that he should read it again. There is not a sentence in the bill—and under the Constitution there could not be—making it obligatory on anyone to institute "actions for the recovery of debts not exceeding £300 . . ." in the district where the debtor resides." Under the Constitution the High Court is "invested with full original jurisdiction in and power to determine all matters and questions whether of law or fact"; so that Mr. Kidney or any of his draper friends is at liberty to resort to the High Court if it is only a sixpence that is being sued for.

So much for that plaint; but even if these gentlemen were compelled to resort to the Circuit Courts, would it be such a dreadful evil? Ninety *per cent.* of wholesalers' actions are undefended. It is poverty, not questions as to the validity of the accounts, that for the most part compels resort to the Courts in these cases. In undefended cases all that our draper friends need to do is go to their solicitors and swear affidavits of debt, on which judgments will be given without anybody having to attend Court. In a case in which there is a genuine controversy, why should the poor man have all the dice loaded against him by having the action tried in a venue so expensive for him that he cannot appear in it at all? If a smart Dublin "drummer" pushes a lot of worthless goods on to a struggling shopkeeper in Tralee, and the latter asserts that they are not up to guarantee, why should the case not be tried at Tralee, especially as the wholesaler will get, with his decree, all his costs and expenses and the unfortunate shopkeeper may find it quite ruinous to bring himself and his witnesses to Dublin? In spite of all the talk about restrictions of credit, I have a sort of notion at the back of my head that it might not be a bad thing if wholesalers had a salutary check placed upon their willingness to give credit to every sort of character that seeks to solve his problems, financial and otherwise, by starting what we call in Ulster "a wee shap."

If one were to swallow all the dope that is being so industriously manufactured by the reactionaries who are fighting gallantly to prop up the obsolete, cumbersome and inefficient legal system that cursed this country so long and made us a laughing stock before the world, he would think that the Circuit Courts were going to be manned by tinkers or chimney-sweeps or the relics of Morley J.P.'s. The fact is that some of the best judges in Ireland were on the County Court Bench, and the Circuit Bench should attract even better men. Most cases that come before them, where questions of credit are involved, will be non-jury cases. But even in jury cases I have yet to learn that all the virtue and wisdom in Ireland reside in the bosom of the down-at-heel gentlemen that used to act as professional jurors at the Four Courts.

The amusing thing about all this propaganda—set going by those stupid members of the Irish Bar (an institution in which the average of stupidity has always been very high) who cannot see the obvious truth that to facilitate access to our Courts cannot injure the legal professions—is the calm assumption underlying it that the Irish nation consists of about two dozen wholesalers in Dublin and a few hundred dishonest traders in the country. The bulk of Irish litigation is between people living in the same district—disputes about adjoining properties, claims for damages for negligence, probate suits between relatives, slanders uttered on a fair evening, libels contained in speeches made at Council meetings and reported in the local Press, assaults, motor accidents and the like.

Everybody who has spent six months in a solicitor's office knows how wasteful it is to have all this mass of litigation centred in Dublin. Yet in order to put it out of the power of the struggling shopkeeper to dispute in a *bona fide* way, at an expense not absolutely ruinous, the rare account that should be disputed, the Dublin drapers calmly ask the Government to maintain in all its dignity the discredited legal system, under which, if you wanted to sue your neighbour for £50 1s. 1d., you had to embark on a High Court action that might cost you two or three hundred pounds, and which was responsible for so much of the cruelty that was written on the rustic faces that one used to encounter along the northern quays in Dublin about ten past four of an evening. The dope will all be ineffective. The country approves of the determination of the President to see the bill through, just as it appreciates the splendid note of reality which Senator Jogarty introduced into the debate of last week.—Yours, etc.,

LOUIS J. WALSH.

Rathmullen, Tirconaill,
February 4th, 1924.

AGRICULTURE AND INDUSTRY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Your interesting leading article of today, commenting on my letter as to Irish boot imports, requires, I think, a reply. This Association for eighteen years has been inculcating with some success the voluntary protection of Irish goods. There are certain industries which previous to our advent were doomed to extinction, and which owe their continued existence to the work of the Industrial Development Associations; there are others which have been established as a direct result of our propaganda, while there is none which has not benefited by the enthusiasm generated by the industrial movement. I myself as a child at school frequently walked two miles of a country road to buy an Irish-made copybook which could only be obtained at a certain remote little shop, while outside my own door reams of imported copybooks were to be obtained. I was only one of thousands who were fired with the same enthusiasm for Irish products, and that enthusiasm was a form of protection as valuable as any tariff. It was, however, as any student of psychology could tell, only a temporary expedient, and not a substitute for the legislative and administrative action by which practically every country in the world safeguards such of its industries as require it. A system of voluntary protection was adopted because there was no power to enforce any other kind. It had wonderful effects, and would have continued to have them as long as the country remained keyed up to a certain morale. The reaction, however, was bound to come, and we are now in the trough of the wave.

Now not only has the old enthusiasm for Irish goods waned, but it has been replaced by a new prejudice, which is daily working to the detriment of Irish industry. A couple of incidents which occurred last week may be cited. A lady whom I have known for years as a consistent supporter of Irish products spoke of the excellent display of certain goods in our Permanent Exhibition. "They look nice," she said, "but you cannot eat them. ——'s, of London, are much better." She could not wear Irish boots—they were too heavy. She could not use Irish tweed or serge—it was too rough. Then she went on: "Even ——'s cigarettes, since they started making them in Ireland, have gone off, so that they are not worth smoking." I pointed out that her last remark was a sidelight on her whole mentality—because a thing was supposed to be Irish it was *ipso facto* damned. Messrs. ——'s are not yet making cigarettes in Ireland; so any alleged deterioration was simply the old prejudice working in advance. She then hedged—she had not smoked them herself, but, "they say."

The other incident was where a boot factor showed me two pairs of ladies' shoes—one Irish, one English. The Irish product cost 13s. 6d., the English 14s. 6d. To me they seemed identical in shape and finish. The Irish sole, however, was stitched and the other was not, which, I was told, increased the relative value of the Irish shoe by ninepence. Yet my informant was unable to get a single order for the Irish goods, while the imported article was sold by the gross. Trade terms and everything else were equal. These things seem inexplicable, yet I see instances day after day of an equally fatuous and suicidal policy on the part of traders and the public generally applied to all industries.

Up to this point, you will agree, there is no question of protection involved; but I am personally convinced that the efforts of individuals and organisations can no longer stem the tide, and that, if this nation is to live, it must be prepared to do as other countries do, and consider how best it can assist all its citizens to live and thrive. On the figures quoted from the Board of Trade return it would seem that we are paying sevenpence *per* pair more than the "world price" for British-made boots. If, which I do not admit, we had to pay 1s. *per* pair more than the "world price" for Irish-made boots, but instead of having 3,000 actual or potential Irish boot trade workers drawing unemployment benefit or subsisting on some other uneconomic form of assistance, we had those 3,000 men and women making boots in Ireland, I submit it would be an excellent bargain for the Irish people as a whole, farmers included.

Why it should be right (as it undoubtedly is) that the entire nation should undertake responsibility for the raising of another £25,000,000, in addition to all previously paid, so that the Irish farmer should be securely settled on the land, but wrong that the farmer should be called upon to extend any reciprocal treatment to the industrial population, whose existence is just as valuable to the country, is a question to which I have never been able to get a satisfactory reply. The lack of industries in this country hits nobody more directly than the farmer. It is his children who in the past (and in the future unless we change our present practice) have had to emigrate, because the urban centres, which have absorbed the surplus agricultural population, have been situated not in Ireland, where they should be, but in Great Britain and in America. There should be no antagonism between the Irish rural and urban populations. Our interests, in the long run, are the same, and a prosperous and largely increased urban population will afford the farmer a more profitable market for his produce and employment for his family.

Surely we in Ireland buy something from the Irish agriculturist, and if "Long-suffering Farmer" could save the £3 *per* head he pays for the transport of his bullocks to England by selling them at home in increasing numbers, it would be all to the good.—Yours, etc.,

E. N. SOMERS, Secretary.
Permanent Exhibition of Irish Goods,
40 Upper O'Connell street, Dublin,
February 6th, 1924.

THE FARMER'S PLIGHT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—I do not know if people in general realise the alarming state of farming, the key industry in this country. The farmer sells in a cheap market and buys his requirements in a dear. He is weighed down by taxation, by the price of labour, by rent, by dear railway transport. He cannot produce feeding-stuffs for man or beast at a profit against foreign competition.

At the present time store cattle are costing almost as much as beef cattle *per* live cwt., and the trade is hampered by cattle disease, by Canadian stores and by the sad plight of English farming. Pigs do not pay—feeding-stuffs are too dear. Last year was the worst year in the memory of man. Profits must have gone to the middleman—dealers, bacon manufacturers, butchers, etc. Both consumer and farmer press the Government to inquire into the question of what are their legitimate profits, but apparently nothing is done. If the farmer cannot sell at a profit, nothing can save him—neither greater efficiency nor protection against foreign imports. One would think that protection would raise prices. You cannot subsidise him; for the bulk of the subsidy would come out of his pockets. If the farming industry is destroyed, what will happen to the Free State?—Yours, etc.,

"A FARMER."

Co. Cavan, February 5th, 1924.

THE CIVIC GUARD.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—In your issue of the 2nd inst. you give an account of what General O'Duffy said at the graveside of that brave man, Guard O'Halloran. General O'Duffy is reported as having said:—"I am being asked every day why we do not arm the Civic Guard. I reply now to the people from the grave of Guard O'Halloran: 'Take your courage in your hands; stand fearlessly with the *Garda* in carrying out the laws of the people. If it is your wish that the *Garda* should be armed with revolvers for a time to cope with this robber menace, we are at attention to obey the people's will.'"

I should like to know through what channel the people's "wish" is to be conveyed. Clearly, it should be through their public bodies, but it would be quite fruitless to expect this, at least in rural Ireland. Will any member of such bodies put himself in the invidious position of proposing to ask the Government to arm the Civic Guard? Surely the time has arrived when the Government must see for themselves that to do this is essential, not only for the protection of the Guard themselves, but to enable them to carry out their various and trying duties efficiently and with the sense that their authorities are protecting them as far as possible. That these men should be fully armed is now more necessary than ever, when three or four of them are being quartered in isolated places.

The Government may take it as an undoubted fact that the vast majority of the people want peace and look to the Government for the most effective protection possible; and it has always been a matter of much comment why the Civic Guard were ever left unarmed.—Yours, etc.,

"ONE WHO KNOWS."

Co. Galway, February 5th, 1924.

DUBLIN AND THE PROVINCES.

DUBLIN.

"IN THE NEW BALTIC STATE."—"In the New Baltic State" was the subject of a lantern lecture, delivered by Lieutenant-Colonel Eldred Pottinger, D.S.O., in the Molesworth Hall, last night, in connection with the St. Ann's series. The lecturer traced the influence of the Aryan invasion from Asia on Esthonia, Latvia and Lithuania down to the time when a German religious order of knights settled in the Baltic provinces and became the Baltic Barons. The district round Vilna was, and still is, the bone of contention between Poland and Lithuania, and both peoples are waiting for the next plenary session of the League of Nations to settle the problem. The lecturer pointed out the difficult position in which Esthonia, Latvia and Lithuania are placed, as, on the one side, they have the Russian bear, and, on the other, the German eagle. It was but natural for Russia to strive to regain such valuable ports as Revel, Riga, Libau and Memel, and the best solution of the problem of how to avert a war was the reunion of these States and Russia. Colonel Pottinger showed some good slides of scenery in the Baltic provinces.

MR. EDELSTEIN FINED.—Joseph Edelstein, who gave no address, was fined 20s. and 30s. costs, in the Dublin Police Court yesterday, for breaking a window of the house, 23 Harrington street, occupied by his cousin, Mr. Wolfe A. Newman. The accused man knocked at the door for three minutes, and, getting no reply, wrenched off the knocker and flung it at the window. The maid was afraid to open the door.

ABBEY THEATRE PROGRAMME. — Owing to the sudden illness of Barry Fitzgerald, "She Stoops to Conquer" has been withdrawn from the Abbey Theatre programme. To-night, and for the remainder of the week, "Meadowsweet" and "The Shadow of a Gunman" will be performed.

CONNAUGHT.

POTEEN FINE "CUT" BY 80 PER CENT. —At Ballinrobe, Co. Mayo, on Monday, Stephen Collins, Carraboun, was fined £100, mitigated to £20, for having in his possession a gallon and two pints of poteen. Jars, which were found concealed in his garden, contained the spirit, and bottles in his house smelt of poteen. The defendant denied all knowledge of the jars in his garden, and said that he had nothing in the house except a drop of "special," as he was delicate. The Justice said that he would have sent the defendant to prison if he had not been delicate. Collins said that he would prefer prison as he could not pay the fine. The Justice remarked that the defendant would be better off in prison, and would enjoy better health away from the atmosphere of poteen.

MYSTERIOUS STRANGER.—A well-dressed young woman, who was found wandering on the roads near Boyle, and who appeared dazed, told the police that her name was Maura O'Brien, but later, when in Boyle Hospital, she pointed out a paragraph in a newspaper, which asked for information as to the whereabouts of Miss Madge Roddy, who had mysteriously disappeared from 33 Upper Baker street, London, W. The paragraph stated: "Miss Roddy, who is well educated, speaks with a very noticeable Irish accent, and is a highly skilled facial maseuse, who worked under several eminent London doctors." The woman stated that she had friends in Westport. These were communicated with, and later took her away with them.

LEINSTER.

RESCUES FROM DROWNING.—Four men have been rescued from drowning in the canal, near Philipstown, King's County, by the prompt action of Mr. Patrick Stollen, of that town, says our Correspondent. The pony drawing the trap, in which the four men were seated, took fright and plunged into the canal. The trap overturned and pinned all four men under water. Mr. Stollen, who was driving in a trap in front of the one which met with the accident, jumped out, ran back, and at once entered the water, fully dressed, and extricated three of the men. The fourth was securely held down on the bed of the canal by the trap, but Mr. Stollen eventually rescued him. One of the men, named Wyer, sustained a dislocated shoulder, and all suffered from shock. Mr. Stollen re-entered the water with a knife, cut the traces, and the pony scrambled out uninjured.

LANGUAGE REVIVAL.—At a meeting of the King's County Farmers' Union at Tullamore a resolution was passed approving of the efforts to encourage the speaking of Irish, but expressing the opinion that the amount of money paid out of local rates for promoting the language cause was not producing results sufficient to warrant the expenditure. One member said that the language was as dead as Julius Cæsar.

TULLAMORE ROAD REPAIRS.—The estimated cost of the new direct labour scheme adopted in the Tullamore district, embracing all roads, is £10,800. It is based on a wage of 30s. for roadmen, instead of 36s. as formerly.

RATES LIABILITY.—Questions as to the liability of landlords and tenants in respect of municipal and poor rates were decided at Enniscorthy on Tuesday in a case between John F. Yates, landlord, and John Bernie and Thomas Reilly, tenants. The Justice decided that under the Increase of Rent Act, 1925, the tenants should get credit for the town rates paid by them prior to the passing of the Act, and from that period the tenants could deduct all rates paid by them, including poor rates. A question as to the increased rent payable to the landlord on account of repairs done by him was adjourned to enable the parties to agree on the figures.

WICKLOW'S NEW HOUSES.—The Local Government Department has informed the Wicklow Urban Council that it cannot sanction the sale of the Council's six new houses at £170 each, and it recommends that they should be offered at an auction sale, the offers received to be subject to the Department's acceptance. A member said that the houses had cost £750 each. Who would pay the difference between £170 and £750? The Chairman said that the Council had asked the Government to bear the difference. It was decided to advertise the houses for sale.

ARDEE HOUSES.—At a meeting of the Ardee, Co. Louth, Commissioners, a member complained that, while local people were living in houses not fit for dogs, new houses were given to strangers, whom he described as "a new nest of bees that were trying to sting the natives away." People were driven to despair for want of work and housing, but a future revolution would change it all.

SMALL FARMS FOR SALE.—Our Philipstown, King's County, Correspondent says that several small farms are for sale in the district, and that a general exodus of small farmers is taking place. Fifteen acres at Killeeshal have been sold for £600.

MUNSTER.

"GASSED" ON A KETCH.—An inquest was held in Waterford yesterday into the death of Ernest Jenkins, of The Parade, Plymouth, mate of the ketch Garlandstone, who died from the effects of fumes emitted by the ship's auxiliary engine. Captain Murdoch said that when off the Smalls Jenkins went to the engine cabin to repair a leak in the exhaust pipe. He was there an unusually long time, and the captain went to investigate. He found the mate unconscious, and he pulled him on deck, but Jenkins died. Captain Murdoch, who wept copiously while giving evidence, said that he had sailed in the Garlandstone with Jenkins for four years, and that they had been in another boat together for nine years before that. The jury returned a verdict of accidental death, and said that the ship should not leave port until the exhaust pipe had been rendered more accessible.

YOUGHAL POSTAL DELIVERIES.—Youghal, Co. Cork, is in future to have one general delivery of letters in the morning and one in the afternoon for the main street only. The new rule excludes from the afternoon delivery the important business and public offices in the market square and quayside district.

ESTIMATES RETURNED FOR REVISION.—Cork County Council has returned to the Youghal No. 2 Council its annual estimate for the ensuing year with a view to a reduction. The amount of the estimate is an increase of £215 on that of the previous year. The Youghal Council has decided to adhere to the figure as being the lowest possible with efficiency.

ULSTER.

A PRE-TREATY CLAIM.—At Lifford, Co. Donegal, Quarter Sessions Geoffrey Christie Miller claimed compensation from the Donegal County Council for damage to a shooting lodge at Treankeel. The lodge was occupied as "training quarters" by the I.R.A. from September to November, 1921. The State Solicitor said that this took place prior to the signing of the Treaty. The Volunteers went into possession of this lodge by orders of General Mulcahy, and application should be made to him for compensation. The judge directed the applicant to send his claim to the Army Department of the Free State. If it did not recognise it the applicant could come before that court again.

CLONES WATER SCHEME.—The Local Government Department has informed the Clones Urban Council that it is not in a position to advance any money towards the proposed outlay of £8,000 on a new water supply scheme for the town, and suggests that the Council should borrow the money from a bank.

Mr. J. J. Mulhall, of the Carrickmacross branch of the National Bank, has been transferred to Boyle as manager, in succession to Mr. A. Macleod, who has retired.

Verdict of found drowned was returned at an inquest in Dublin yesterday into the death of an unidentified man whose body was found in the River Liffey on Tuesday night.

The death has occurred of Mr. John Keogh, Guild street, Dublin. Mr. Keogh was formerly an official of the Dublin and Liverpool steamers, and was well known to regular travellers.

NORTHERN IRELAND.

LATE MR. W. H. WRIGHT.—The funeral took place to the City Cemetery, Belfast, on Tuesday of Mr. W. Henry Wright, formerly of the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers and of the Post Office Rifles. The coffin was borne on a gun carriage and covered by the Union Jack. An escort was provided by the Seaforth Highlanders. Mr. Wright, who lived in Wauchope street, served in the Inniskillings for twenty-one years. He joined the Post Office Rifles for the period of the war.

PORTADOWN EX-SERVICEMEN'S HOUSES.—The Town Clerk of Portadown has informed the Northern Ministry of Home Affairs of the dissatisfaction which exists in connection with the lack of houses of ex-Servicemen, and asking if the attendance of a deputation would expedite the promotion of the building scheme. The reply was that the matter would have to be referred to the Irish Sailors' and Soldiers' Land Trust, and that the reception of a deputation would serve no useful purpose.

AUGHNACLOY MARKET RULE.—At a meeting of Aughnacloy

SENATE AND JUDICIARY BILL.

APPOINTMENT OF CIRCUIT JUDGES.

OBJECTIONS TO "REMOVABLES."

The Senate met yesterday, under the presidency of Lord Glenavy.

The second stages of the Dail Eireann Loans and Fund Bill, 1923, and of the Court Officers (Temporary Appointments) Bill, 1923, were passed.

The Committee stage of the Coroners (Qualification) Bill, 1923, was also passed.

COURTS OF JUSTICE BILL.

The House took up the Committee stage of the Courts of Justice Bill at Section 36, which relates to the constitution of Circuit Courts.

Senator Jameson moved an amendment to the effect that the number of Circuit Judges should not be limited to eight, as provided for in that section, but that there should be not more than ten permanent judges.

In moving this amendment, he said, he was guided a good deal by the opinion of the Committee which had drawn up a report on the whole question for the Government, and upon which the bill was founded. It was quite evident that, if the business increased, eight judges could not handle it, and that their number should be increased. Under Clause 24 there was power taken to appoint temporary assistant judges. That meant that along with the permanent judges they were to have what were known as "removeables," if the Executive Government of the day should choose to appoint them.

The whole feeling of the country was against the renewal of such temporary officials in the position of judges. Such judges would always be open to attack, as they had been in the past. Nobody in that House had a higher opinion of the Government than he had, but there might be a future Government that would have a totally different object in view, and they might destroy one of the greatest bulwarks of liberty that the people of this country had.

The object of limiting the number of judges to eight was, he presumed, economy. As to that, they knew nothing about what the cost of the Circuit Courts would be. Economy in legal matters might be the worst possible policy to follow. If the Courts of the Circuit Judges were badly manned: if there were inefficient staffs, then every litigant who went into those Courts would have slow, difficult and costly justice administered to him, no matter how eminent the judge might be.

A WRONG COURSE.

The Senate would be wrong in limiting the number of judges to eight, and in letting any of the business be disposed of by temporary judges, and leaving the power to appoint temporary judges to any future Government that might happen to be elected. He hoped that the House would not inflict temporary judges on the Free State in the manner provided for in the bill. If it became necessary to increase the number of judges, he felt sure that if the Government brought the matter before the Senate, they would receive the assent of the Senate to the measure.

The better way would be to allow the extra business to be dealt with by judges who would be equal in *status* to the other judges. It was a matter of the independence of the Judiciary. There was one thing that he was keen about, and that was that eventually there should be no partition in Ireland, and that they should have Ireland an united whole. (Hear, hear.) He could think of nothing worse, or more likely to prevent such a wished-for end than that it could be said—honestly said—that the judges of the Free State were not of the same standing and independence as the judges in Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

He asked the House seriously to consider the matter, and to take care that the judiciary was as free and independent in every possible way as were the judges in England and in Ulster.

BALANCING THE BUDGET.

President Cosgrave said that Mr. Jameson had dealt more with Clause 44, referring to the appointment of temporary judges, than to the clause before the House. It was true that the Judiciary Committee had recommended the appointment of at least eight circuit judges, but in taking any recommendation from any body of opinion in the country the Government had to take into consideration the balancing of the Budget. They had to consider every single service according to that fundamental principle, that they must cut their coat according to the cloth.

The proposed judiciary system was a huge experiment, and it was not possible for anyone to foresee exactly what number of circuit judges would be necessary. Ten might be necessary, but a good case would have to be made out before the Government could agree to appoint more than eight.

The President enumerated the various judicial offices provided for in the scheme from the Supreme Court to District Justices; and said that he did not know of any profession that would be so well provided for. If Mr. Jameson's amendment to reduce the jurisdiction to amounts of £100 instead of £300 was to be given effect, there would not be business for eight judges.

The Government's idea was that these courts, taking the country as a whole should be the courts to which the people would look and which would not appear to them in the same way as the old Four Courts appeared in the past—where "if you go in your will never go out." (Laughter.) He had inclined to the view of the Minister for Finance, who had been adamant against making provision for a greater number of judges under that clause. The Government should not be bound to appoint ten if they found the work could be done by eight.

It would require the good-will and co-operation of every section of the State to maintain public confidence, stability, and security, and that would not be gained by seeking for one profession more than it was entitled to, and to place its claim above every other section.

PURELY EXPERIMENTAL.

This bill in its earlier years would be purely experimental. If, as it was hoped, these circuit courts attracted the major portion of the business it might be necessary to have twelve judges, and in such eventuality the number of High Court judges and District Justices would be cut down.

The proposed temporary judges would not be removables in the same sense as the old removables. He would like to see the effect if an Executive Council within the next twenty years in this country sought to bring back a body like that. The only reason why they had sought power in this bill to appoint additional judges temporarily was that they understood the enormous damage that had been done, and the huge list of claims in every county and the immense pile of business that remained to be discharged. They were dealing with an abnormal situation. In the period preceding the Treaty, and after the Treaty also, the criminal had a pretty considerable field to himself in this country. The Government had been gradually catching up with him. That meant more work for the judges for a time, but if the case put forward was that the persons appointed to discharge the arrears ought to be given fixity of tenure, he declared that he was against it and the finances of the country could not stand it.

Colonel Moore said that it was dangerous to give power to any Government in the belief that it would not abuse it. Even the best Governments sometimes found themselves driven to do strange things, and he instanced the closing down of the Dail Courts when a *habeas corpus* motion inconvenient to the Government was to be brought before them.

Mr. H. S. Guinness inquired if the Government case was that financial reasons alone led them to oppose alteration of the clause.

President Cosgrave said that the Minister for Finance had objected to the creation of more than eight circuit judgeships. That decision would be open to reconsideration if experience showed that a larger number was necessary. Referring to Colonel Moore's statement, he said that it was not technically accurate. The Government had found that there was something wanting as regards the power of the Dail Courts, and though not putting it, perhaps, in proper legal phraseology, he should say that those Courts were performing functions for which they had not the necessary authorisation.

NOT WISE.

Mr. S. L. Brown, K.C., said that it was not wise of the Government to tie their hands in this matter. They could not come to any other conclusion than that they would never want fewer than eight circuit judges. He had been told that in the West of Ireland the amount of business in the courts would be very large if the judges were to have jurisdiction to the extent of £300—that would breed an entirely new lot of legislation in the country. He understood from a country solicitor that in Kerry—the most litigious county in Ireland—(laughter)—in Limerick, and in Clare a judge would be occupied every day of the year. Why, therefore, should not the Executive now give themselves the power of appointing, not ten judges, but more than eight? With the views on economy of the present Government, they need not appoint more than eight judges. But, he asked again, why should they tie their hands on the matter?

A division was taken, and the Chairman declared the amendment lost, the voting being—

For the amendment	16
Against	27

Mr. Jameson then withdrew two further amendments, consequential on the defeated amendment, which stood in his name on the paper.

Mr. S. Brown, K.C., moved an amendment referring to the age of retirement of circuit judges. His amendment would, he said, do for these judges what the Senate, in adopting his amendment to Section 12, had already decided should be done in the case of High Court judges. The age of retirement should be fixed, and it should not be left to the discretion of the Government to extend the term of his appointment beyond the fixed age.

The Chairman pointed out that the case of the Circuit Court judges was not on all fours with that of the High Court judges. One difference was that the Circuit Court judges were appointed at an earlier age than the judges of the High Court. There was another aspect in which the cases differed. The average life of a Circuit Court judge was not as great as that of a High Court judge. Anyone who had been in his position would have observed that to be so. He would suggest that the age of seventy-two years should be fixed.

Mr. Brown explained that his whole object was that there should be a fixed age, and he was quite willing to accept seventy-two years, as the Chairman had suggested.

President Cosgrave, replying, said that the case of the Circuit Court judges had been before the Dail. Deputy Bryan Cooper had tabled an amendment, and there were, in addition, two further amendments. The Government agreed to accept the principle of one of the other two amendments, and Deputy Cooper had expressed his entire agreement with the clause as it now stood. He (the President) would consider the proposal to extend the age to seventy-two, but he did not say that he would be able to carry it in the Dail. He would like to have a chance of considering the matter, and he would undertake to bring it up again on the report stage.

The amendment, with the consent of the House, was allowed to stand over, as suggested.

PENSIONS.

Mr. Jameson moved the addition of the following sub-section to Section 40:—"Provided always that there may be granted, if the Executive Council think fit, to any such judge as aforesaid who vacates his office owing to permanent infirmity before having completed five years' service a pension not exceeding one-sixth of his salary at the time he vacates his office."

Mr. O'Farrell opposed the amendment on the ground of national economy. They had to "cut" the teachers and old age pensioners in the interests of economy, he reminded the House. According to Senator Jameson's amendment, a barrister might be appointed a judge that day, and, his health failing six months hence, he would have to receive a pension for life not exceeding one-sixth of his salary.

Mr. Bennett and Mrs. Wyse Power also opposed the amendment.

President Cosgrave pointed out that the Circuit judges would be in a slightly better financial position than the County Court judges, as, for instance, they would not be bound, in the event of illness, to pay a substitute. While having all due deference for the independence of the judges, it was only right that they should be in the same position as other servants of the State with regard to being entitled to pensions before the completion of five years' service. He contended that up to five years the State had a prescriptive right to be safeguarded from any charge on its funds.

The amendment was by leave withdrawn.

THE IRISH LANGUAGE.

Mr. P. W. Kenny moved the addition of the following sub-section to Section 42:—

"Provided that, where practicable, no persons will be appointed to the position of Circuit judge in districts where the Irish language is in general use save a person who, in addition to the qualifications set out elsewhere in this Act, possesses such a speaking knowledge of the Irish language as will enable him to hear and take evidence entirely in Irish where any witness desires to give his evidence in Irish."

President Cosgrave said that a very strong case had been made for the amendment, and he was in agreement with what had been said, but they had to consider the appointment of judges in the light of the circumstances. There were four Irish-speaking districts, and if they got four Irish speaking judges for these he thought they would be making a real effort to meet the case.

He (the President) did not think that the amendment was worded in a way to meet the purpose of the mover, but he undertook to look into the matter and to bring up something on the report stage which would meet the purpose in view.

Senator Kenny accepted the undertaking, and the amendment was, by leave, withdrawn.

Mr. Jameson moved to delete Section 44, which permits the appointment of temporary Assistant Circuit Judges, "in case the accumulation of business so requires." He had referred to the matter on his amendment to Section 36. As by refusing that amendment the House had decided, he said, that there were to be only eight Circuit Judges, the want of some clause of this kind to meet what was undoubtedly an inevitable situation—the accumulation of business with which the eight Circuit Judges would not be able to deal—would land them in a quandry with which nobody would be able to deal. An increase in the number of permanent judges had been declined. The business would be there, and would have to be done, and, therefore, temporary judges would have to be appointed.

If, however, they passed the clause as it stood, it would give permanent power to any Government at any time to appoint judges temporarily, on any terms, and under any conditions, as they pleased. A temporary situation should have been dealt with in a temporary way, and a limit of time should have been fixed, after which the appointment of such temporary judges would not be possible. In that way the country would have been protected in the long future from the evils which the clause, as it stood, had in it. He pointed to the present situation as an illustration of the possibilities of evil.

A DANGER.

The Government was extremely anxious to protect the public purse. The Government was a party to action in which claims for compensation were made. There was a danger that private persons who made the claims might say that the temporary judges appointed by the Government were prejudiced. Members of the Senate had no suspicion of the present Government, and he was quite sure that the Government would tell them that the temporary judges would not handle cases to which the Government were to be a party.

But if the clause were passed as it stood, he believed later on someone in the Senate or the Dail must raise the right of the individual to be tried by a permanent judge. He appealed to the Senate under no conditions to let the clause pass as it stood. He asked the Government and the Senate seriously to consider whether they were going to let such a blot as that exist in a permanent bill for the Irish Free State.

Sir John Keane said that on certain occasions the Government had resented in somewhat strong terms the emphasising by the Senate of the principles that had been uttered, and he was at a loss to understand the mentality behind that. The Government seemed to say—"We are here for all time; we are to be trusted; and these innovations are not dangerous, because they will be applied by wise, sensible men." He could not understand why the Government did not look further than that, and realise that the people must be protected.

The day might come when the Ministers who were responsible to-day might be very sorry, and live to regret that they had allowed dangerous principles to be embodied in legislation. He suggested that, if temporary judges had to be appointed, they should be chosen from a panel in rotation, on the nomination of the Chief Justice, or somebody independent of the Government, the panel to consist of retired County Court Judges, not above a certain age, and, after them, of senior members of the Bar.

They had got to remember what people were saying. He instanced conversations in which remarks were made to the effect that members of the Government were using influence to have their own friends appointed to jobs.

President Cosgrave said that it would appear from Sir John Keane's speech that there was only one independent profession in this country. (Laughter.) The view that the Bench was the only independent profession was not shared by 10 per cent. of the people of the country. He pointed out that in May last the Senate passed the Damage to Property Act, in which provision was made for the appointment by the Governor-General of assistant judges to deal with claims under that Act, and under the Malicious Injuries Act, where there was an excess of work. He did not personally care twopence about the appointment of barristers; he was not interested in one of them.

A LYING JADE.

Rumours had been going round about Ministers and others appointing their brothers and cousins and friends. Nothing of the sort had taken place. He was prepared at any time to leave his position as head of the Government, and have a much easier job outside, if he could get anybody to take it on. It meant twelve hours or more a day at work, and then to have this sort of sapping and mining going on.

The Government was asking for assistant judges to deal with the abnormal situation that had prevailed. He was prepared to put a limit on it—three years. He was just as anxious as any member of the Senate to get the Executive Council put in a position that if it required additional judges it should come to Parliament and get Parliament to agree to the appointments. That was the statement they made in the Dail, and they were prepared to stand by it.

Mr. Brown, K.C., assured the President that nothing was further from the minds of those who had criticised the bill than to suggest that the present Government wished to influence those whom they might appoint as temporary judges; but their object was to make certain that the person who had a claim against the Government should feel that he was getting an absolutely impartial trial. They had to make allowance for human nature, and to recognise that some claimants would not feel that confidence if their claims were heard by a judge who had got his appointment merely for the time being.

He suggested that an arrangement should be made that claims against the Government should be heard only by permanent judges.

The Earl of Mayo asked the President to state whether his promise to limit the power of temporary appointment to the next three years would be embodied in a clause to be brought forward on report.

The President replied in the affirmative, and added that he intended three years as a maximum. The appointments would cease when they got rid of the extra work, in which he included not merely claims in respect of damage to property and injury to the person, but criminal offences, and all the other business that had been held up for one reason or another, such as unwillingness to come into the old courts. He could not accept Mr. Brown's suggestion to reserve damage to property claims from the temporary judges.

Was it a fact, he asked, that absolutely impartial judgments and decisions had been given by County Court judges all over the country under the Malicious Injuries Acts? That was certainly not the fact, nor with regard to criminal injuries to the person. Reference had been made to judges under the Northern Government, and in that connection, he said, that there was a case with regard to criminal injuries to the person, in which he was not at all satisfied that an independent judgment had been given.

NO HOSTILITY.

Dr. W. B. Yeats assured the President that the care with which the Senate had examined this bill was due not to hostility, but to their scrupulous anxiety not to be swayed by their sympathy with the Government from judging the measure in an abstract way. It had been particularly difficult for them to press their points with regard to independence of the Government, because they felt that the present Government would not unduly press its views on the judges. There was a feeling in Ireland that judges hitherto had been unduly subservient to an alien Government, and those who took the view which he took had done their best to ensure that the Irish judges in future should be independent of any Executive whatever.

Mr. Jameson withdrew his amendment, saying, however, that he did so on the understanding that if the matter were not dealt with on report in full accordance with the President's promise he could bring it forward again.

The Committee stage of the Courts of Justice Bill was then adjourned.

OYSTER BEDS.

Dr. G. Sigerson moved a resolution requesting the Government to institute an inquiry into the present state of extant oyster beds around the Irish coast, and to report on the best methods of protecting, improving, and extending them, such as have been adopted in France and elsewhere with advantage. He quoted Arthur Young's references to oyster beds in Ireland, and said that at one place Young found that a cartload of oysters could be had for a shilling.

It was clear, he said, that at the time of Young's visit oysters were plentiful here. Referring to the various places round the West and South coasts where oyster beds had existed, he said it was a remarkable thing that oysters preferred the Free State. (Laughter.) He described what he had seen of the development of oyster beds at the mouth of the River Garonne, and suggested that notice should be taken of the methods employed in France in developing that esculent, which, he said, apparently came to us by nature, and has been largely neglected by man.

Mr. Barrington described the conditions which made the barony of Burren, in the County of Clare, an especially favourable place for the development of oyster beds, and said that, whereas the famous Whitstable beds covered a few acres on which elaborate artificial beds had been constructed, there were at Burren seven miles of oyster beds of the finest quality, where no artificial aids were needed.

Sir Thomas Esmonde said that the Department of Fisheries for years past had been engaged in considering the matter, and had a good deal of information at their disposal. The difficulty was one of protection of the oyster beds. When the French Government started to encourage the industry they came to the Irish seas for their seed. They obtained seed from the Arklow beds, paying what were considered then to be enormous sums for the seed with which they established the beds that had yielded a considerable revenue to them since.

Mr. Clayton Love said that it was a pity that such a fine source of income as that which oysters represented should be neglected by the Fisheries Department.

The motion was carried unanimously.

The House adjourned at 6.20 until 3 p.m. to-day.

FEMALE WRITING ASSISTANTS.
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MENACE OF THE MIDDLEMAN.

SUGGESTED REMEDY FOR "PROFITEERING."

OUTSPOKEN VIEWS AT DUBLIN MEETING.

A suggestion that public bodies should be empowered to act as distributing agents in order to stamp out "profiteering," was made by Mr. Eamonn O'Carroll, of the Irish Railway Clerks' Association, speaking at the annual meeting of the Irish Women Workers' Union at the Dublin Mansion House last night.

It was the speaker's opinion that the workers of the country were now faced with one of the most serious problems that had ever confronted them. They were being fleeced in a flagrant and open manner by middlemen, whose existence it was incumbent upon them to destroy. They found in the case of milk that it was being sold to the retailer at 1s. a gallon, and supplied to the public at 2s. a gallon.

If crimes were committed in the same daring and audacious manner in which "profiteering," in the selling of bread, milk, and other necessities was carried on, the guilty would receive most severe punishment.

Referring to his suggestion that the local bodies should act as distributors, Mr. O'Carroll said that such a measure need only be temporary. It was clear that if the workers could get those responsible for the present system of high prices to realise that their behaviour was dishonest and immoral, and that those who had been fleeced were determined that "profiteering" should cease, good results would be effected. Dealers should realise that they lived by the community, and that the latter were resolved that they were not going to be fleeced by the people they supported. All should aim at the elimination of the middleman, so that producers and consumers would be brought into direct contact.

DUBLIN BUILDING GUILD.

Mr. Thomas Irwin, of the Dublin Building Guild, reviewed the work of the Guild since its establishment, largely through the efforts of President Cosgrave, in 1921. In his opinion, the present Guilds were not capable of effecting a solution of the building problem. The majority of those interested in house-construction knew nothing of building work, and the architects were in league with the employers to destroy the independent efforts of the workers.

WORK OF WOMEN'S UNION.

The Rev. John Flanagan, Administrator, Pro-Cathedral, praised the work of the union and enumerated the benefits which the members derived from it. He congratulated them on their work in the past, and hoped that by co-operation their work would be extended.

The seventh annual report of the union indicated its recognition as the representative society of women workers in Ireland and the appreciation with which it was regarded. They had been fortunate enough to escape any serious attack on wages, although they had had a few minor strikes against unjust claims.

The union had been invited by the Fiscal Commission to give evidence in regard to the paper bag and bead industries, and they had had various other communications with the Government agencies on the subject of employment for women.

In the coming year they hoped to go further along these lines and to present a system which would give employment to many women and offer an alternative policy to protection, which would help the worker as a producer without injuring him as a consumer.

NATIONAL LIBRARY OF OF IRELAND.

TO BE RE-OPENED SHORTLY.

The National Library of Ireland, Kildare street, Dublin, which has been closed for the past two years, will be re-opened shortly—probably on Monday next.

Neither the contents nor the fittings of the Library have been disturbed, but owing to reductions of the staff it will be impossible to keep the place open as many hours a day as hitherto. Some time must elapse before a sufficient number of assistants can be procured and trained to bring the staff up to its former strength.

THE NORTHERN BORDER.

ULSTER POLICE OFFICER'S SPEECH.

It is reported in Belfast that District Inspector Nixon, of the Royal Ulster Constabulary, has been suspended, pending an official inquiry, in consequence of a public speech which he made on the 29th ult. at a meeting in Belfast.

In the course of the speech, at a meeting of the Peel Loyal Orange Lodge, of which District Inspector Nixon is Master, he is reported to have said that he was the first old Royal Irish Constabulary officer to stand on a platform as an Orangeman. He had done so at a meeting when they were recruiting for the Ulster Special Constabulary. If John McKeon, with his record, could be a Major-General in the Free State Army, holding the King's Commission, he (John Nixon) could surely also be an Orangeman.

They, he went on, still had the six counties intact, but the border was surrounded by the enemy, who had artillery, armoured cars, and aeroplanes, and every engine of war, supplied to them by the Imperial Government. He had been speaking to a Free State soldier a fortnight ago, and that soldier had told him that they had withdrawn the Crossley cars and surrounded the border with armoured cars.

The opinion down in the Free State was that they were going to get a big slice of Ulster. That was the opinion of the Sinn Feiners. It was not his opinion, if they stood together, and every man did what he said he would do. Every leader amongst the Protestants and Orangemen that had expressed himself on that matter, so far as he knew, had said, "Not an inch." It was up to the Orange Order to see that those promises were kept.

It may be added that the statement that the border was surrounded by artillery, armoured cars, and aeroplanes was denied by the Minister of Defence of the Irish Free State.

LIMERICK FARMERS AND THE RATES.

The Limerick Farmers' Association has passed a resolution in favour of paying no higher rate than 5s. in the £, exclusive of the sixpenny rate to repair "war" damages.

RELEASED AND RE-ARRESTED.

CAPT. EUSTACE AGAIN CHARGED.

In the King's Bench Division, Dublin, yesterday, before the Lord Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Dodd, and Mr. Justice Samuels, in the matter of the return to the writ of *habeas corpus* in the case of the King (Eustace) v. J. M. Flood, District Justice, when the case was called,

The Registrar called upon the Governor of Limerick Jail to produce the body of Francis Eustace.

The Governor of Limerick Jail (Mr. Felix Meehan) stated that Captain Eustace was in Court.

The Registrar then read the return to the writ.

Serjeant Hanna, K.C., with whom was Mr. H. D. Conner, K.C., and Mr. Dockrell (instructed by Messrs. Findlater and Co.), appeared for Captain Eustace, and asked for the release of his client, the order under which he was convicted having been quashed.

The Lord Chief Justice—You ask us to quash the return?

Serjeant Hanna—Yes.

Mr. Sullivan, K.C., with whom was Mr. John O'Byrne (instructed by the Chief State Solicitor), appeared for Mr. Flood, and said that he had nothing to say to that.

The Lord Chief Justice—The order on which this return is based having already been set aside by a writ of *certiorari*, we quash the return and order the release of the prisoner.

Captain Eustace was accordingly released, and left the Court.

SHORT-LIVED FREEDOM.

Captain Eustace left the Court, and outside he received the congratulations of friends on his release. He walked with them through the Upper Castle Yard, and was going into the Lower Castle Yard on his way out of the Castle grounds when he was re-arrested by Inspector Houlihan, of the Dublin Metropolitan Police.

THE NEW CHARGE.

Later in the day Captain Eustace was charged before Mr. Lupton, K.C., with having, on or about the 10th December last, feloniously broken into the warehouse of the Grand Canal Company at Kilgarvan quay, Co. Tipperary, and stolen a quantity of goods, the property of the company. On a second count he was charged with receiving the goods, knowing them to have been stolen.

Mr. J. O'Byrne (instructed by the Chief State Solicitor) appeared for the prosecution, and Mr. H. D. Conner, K.C. (instructed by Messrs. Findlater and Co.), appeared for the accused.

Inspector Houlihan, D.M.P., said that he arrested the accused in the Lower Castle Yard earlier in the day. In the Bridewell the charges were read to the accused, who replied that he had nothing to say.

Mr. O'Byrne asked for a remand until Tuesday next, so that he could bring up witnesses from Tipperary.

Mr. Lupton asked why the accused was not sent back to Tipperary for trial.

Mr. O'Byrne said that the accused was legally in custody in Dublin, and could be tried there. It was better in the interests of justice that he should not be sent to the District Justices in Tipperary for trial, considering all the circumstances.

Mr. H. D. Conner asked for bail. Captain Eustace had been in prison on a charge that had been quashed in the King's Bench.

Mr. O'Byrne said his instructions were to oppose bail. The charge was a very serious one.

Mr. Lupton said that the accused had been in custody since December 18 on a bad conviction. He thought substantial bail, if it was forthcoming, might be allowed.

Mr. O'Byrne said that the bails should be very substantial. He suggested that the accused should give bail in £500, with two sureties of £250 each, or one of £500.

The accused was remanded until Thursday, 14th instant, and was allowed out on his own bail of £500, with one independent surety of £500.

TRIALS AT DUBLIN COMMISSION.

CONVICTED PRISONERS PUT BACK.

At the Dublin Commission yesterday, Harry Parry and Edward Byrne, both aged sixteen years, pleaded guilty to breaking and entering two dwellinghouses at Pembroke Estate Cottages, Merrion, and stealing therefrom money and jewellery.

The parents of both boys having undertaken to pay half of the value of the money and property stolen, Mr. Justice Pim recorded a sentence of four months' imprisonment against Byrne, the sentence not to take effect if he behaved himself for the next two years. He was, however, ordered to receive sixteen lashes of the birch before being handed over to his father. Parry was let out on his father's recognisances to come up for judgment when called on.

CONSPIRACY TO DEFRAUD.

John Dowling pleaded "not guilty" to having between the 1st September and the 28th of October, 1923, conspired with Peter J. O'Brien and Jeremiah Hennessy to defraud the Army Paymaster at Portobello Barracks of the sum of £12 10s.

The prisoner was employed with O'Brien and Hennessy at Portobello Barracks as a clerk. Their duty was to prepare pay warrants for officers. The accused prepared a fraudulent warrant made payable to "Mr. J. Dowling" for £12 10s., which was cashed for Dowling by a licensed publican, who assumed that the document was a genuine pay order.

O'Brien and Hennessy were tried and convicted at the January Sessions, and the first-named died after a week in prison.

Evidence was given by the prisoner Hennessy that the "warrant" was drawn by O'Brien, and Dowling, whose name was inserted in it, drew the money from a publican and divided it among the trio.

Dowling's defence was that O'Brien handed him the cheque, made out in his name and told him to cash it. He believed the cheque to be genuine.

The prisoner was found guilty, and put back.

"A TERRIBLE SWELL."

Martin Keely, described as a music hall artist, was found guilty of having on the 23rd September last, stolen from Mrs. Moira Merriman, 25 Upper Mount Pleasant avenue, a handbag containing £2 12s. 6d. and a gold ring.

The prisoner, according to Mrs. Merriman, met her at 10.30 on the night in question, snatched her bag and ran away. She described him as a "terrible swell," wearing evening clothes and a Broadway hat, and looked like a real earl. (Laughter.)

The prisoner was further found guilty of having conspired with one Eileen O'Neill to procure, or attempt to procure, young girls for an unlawful purpose. The woman O'Neill had pleaded guilty earlier in the day to the charge of procuring. The prisoner was put back.

ARMED ROBBERY.

John Bentley, William Bentley and Frank Clarke were found guilty on an indictment, charging them with the armed robbery of a sum of money and a silver watch, the property of James Bissett, Ballymaguire, Lusk, Co. Dublin. They were put back.

PRISONERS SENTENCED.

James Hogan, who pleaded guilty the previous day to holding up and threatening two domestic servants, was sent to a Borstal institution for a period of three years.

Anne Flynn, a native of Cork County, who on the previous day pleaded guilty to concealment of birth, was sent to a charitable institution for a term not exceeding eighteen months.

BOUNDARY PROBLEM.

NORTHERN NATIONALIST CONVENTION.

Mr. Peter F. Cassidy, Enniskillen, writes to say that arrangements are being made to call a Nationalist Convention in Northern Ireland to decide the political action, if any, to be taken in connection with the boundary problem. Representation will be on the basis of at least three delegates from each County Council electoral unit.

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EXCHEQUER RETURNS.

IRISH FREE STATE FIGURES.

The Irish Free State Ministry of Finance announces that the receipts into and issues out of the Exchequer between the 1st of April, 1923, and 2nd February, 1924, were as follows:—

Revenue and other Receipts.	Total Receipts into the Exchequer from 1st April, 1923, to 2nd Feb., 1924. £	1st April, 1922, to 3rd Feb., 1923. £
Balance in Exchequer on 1st April	197,112	—
REVENUE.		
Customs	6,989,000	2,037,999
Excise	8,275,000	13,983,000
Motor Vehicle Duties	241,500	48,000
Estate, etc., Duties	787,000	851,000
Stamps	289,000	214,159
Property and Income Tax (including Super Tax and Mineral Rights Duty)	3,969,000	2,958,000
Corporation Profits Tax..	333,000	255,000
Excess Profits Tax	36,000	75,000
Post Office	1,500,000	700,000
Miscellaneous:—		
Receipts on account of Land Purchase Annuities and Sundry Loans	1,708,871	496,242
Other Receipts	1,432,455	59,864
Total, including Balance	25,857,938	21,638,264
Other Receipts		
Money raised by Creation of Debt—		
For Capital Expenditure		
Issues under the Telegraph Acts	30,000	—
By Irish Free State Bills	1,714,000	—
By Savings Certificates	721,000	—
By 5% National Loan	6,470,000	—
Ways and Means Advances		
By Public Departments	1,671,000	1,000,000
Total	38,463,938	22,638,264

Expenditure and other Issues.	Total Issues out of the Exchequer to meet Payments from 1st April, 1923, to 2nd Feb., 1924. £	1st April, 1922, to 3rd Feb., 1923. £
EXPENDITURE.		
Central Fund Services ..	1,916,397	X17,577
Supply Services	28,715,076	20,061,313
Total Expenditure..	30,631,473	20,378,890
Other Issues.		
Temporary Advances		
Under the Unemployment Insurance Acts	300,000	466,700
Issues to meet Capital Expenditure under the Telegraph Acts..	30,000	40,000
Savings Certificates paid off	13,500	—
Irish Free State Bills paid off	400,000	—
Ways and Means Advances Repaid—		
Public Departments	335,000	1,000,000
Total Issues ..	31,709,973	21,885,590
Balance in Exchequer on 2nd February, 1924, and 3rd February, 1923	6,753,965	752,674
Total	38,463,938	22,638,264

DUBLIN CHILD'S DEATH.

CORONER BLAMES PARENTS FOR ACCIDENT.

At the Dublin Morgue yesterday, a verdict of death from heart failure, following bronchial pneumonia, was returned at the inquest on Benedict M Sullivan, aged two years.

On the 30th December last the child, when playing unattended in Malpas street, was knocked down by one of a pair of horses attached to a carriage belonging to Messrs. Corrigan and Son, Lower Camden street. One of the wheels of the carriage passed over the child. At the Meath Hospital, where the child was subsequently examined, no trace of internal injury was found. He was discharged from the hospital on January 24, but was re-admitted on January 28, suffering from bronchial pneumonia.

A house surgeon from the Meath Hospital said that the child's chest showed no signs of injury. In his opinion, heart failure, consequent on bronchial pneumonia, was the cause of death.

In recording their verdict, the jury said that no blame attached to the driver of the vehicle by which the child was run over.

The Coroner said that, as far as that accident was concerned, the child's parents were to blame for having left him on the street without a guardian.

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GOSSIP FROM THE COURSE.

GOOD SPORT AT CHELMSFORD.

THE BLEEKA SCORES.

SQUIRE ERLEGH WINS MALDON HANDICAP.

FROM OUR TRAVELLING CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Wednesday Night.

Revived last season by George Poole, the Lewes trainer, the little Chelmsford meeting looks as if it has come to stay. To-day's meeting was a great success, there being no fewer than fifty-six runners for the six races, a total that puts some of the more ambitious South Country meetings into the shade. Poole himself won one event during the afternoon, the King William Steeplechase. His successful candidate was The Bleeka, the property of the Dundalk owner, Mr. McKevitt, who was a 7 to 1 chance, and won a good race from Colonel Croft's Tara King by two lengths, with the hot favourite, Greenogue, third.

The last-named was thought to be a good thing by the connections of Whitaker's stable, and Captain Brinckman's horse was backed with a good deal of spirit. James Pigg was a runner here, but was inconspicuous throughout the race. Whitaker had some compensation for the failure of Greenogue when Hungarian, whom he trains for Major Mundy, won the Cannon Hurdle by a length from Bonne Race.

SQUIRE ERLEGH CANTERS HOME.

The easiest victory of the day was that of Squire Erlegh, who won the Maldon Handicap Hurdle in a canter from Red City. Considering how well the horse had run at Sandown last week, his starting price of 6 to 4 was surprisingly good. Rookwood was well backed to beat him, but the horse ran very ungenerously, and was beaten out of a place. Squire Erlegh has a liking for this Chelmsford course, for he won here at the last meeting in October.

At Ludlow, I notice that Ben Cruchan was beaten by the outsider, Lochar, in the Stewards' Steeplechase. He was giving exactly two stone to the winner and was only beaten by a neck. The Heir, who was a slightly better favourite than Ben Cruchan, failed entirely to realise expectations. Coulthwaite had no better luck with Phaon, for Lord Derby's young hurdler, though he did not fail so lamentably as at Haydock when odds were laid on him, was yet no match for Pomar, who beat him in a canter by four lengths.

TO-DAY'S CARD.

To-morrow the only racing is at Ludlow, where I do not expect that Ballinode will be asked for another effort under her penalty in the Trial Handicap Steeplechase. DUNADRY, who ran second to her at Haydock Park last week, is favourably weighted here, and should win. BARCEDO is a likely winner of the Cavnham Hurdle, while FORMIDABLE should be good enough to win the Oakly Steeplechase.

GALTEE MORE.

BETTING FORECAST.

LUDLOW.

1.30 Race—9 to 4 agst. Golden Fleece, 7 to 2 Master Picton, 9 to 2 Edena Grena, 5 to 1 Ingoe, 8 to 1 Shrewsbury and Master Macree, 10 to 1 Pavot and Amusety, 100 to 8 any other.

2.0 Race—5 to 2 agst. Barcedo, 7 to 2 Ireland Green, 9 to 2 Bold Chap, 6 to 1 Hassock, 7 to 1 Tedney, 8 to 1 Garrett and Santavon, 10 to 1 Chuck a Penny and Sparkling Eyes, 100 to 8 any other.

2.30 Race—5 to 4 agst. Saxham Prince, 5 to 2 Bright Eyes, 4 to 1 Carantuohill, 11 to 2 Stand Aside, 7 to 1 Pivotal, 8 to 1 Three Castles, 10 to 1 any other.

3.0 Race—2 to 1 agst. The Sheriff, 11 to 4 Fairfield, 7 to 2 Uproar, 5 to 1 Outlaw, 7 to 1 Progress, 8 to 1 Manister Bridge, 10 to 1 any other.

3.30 Race—Evens Kepplestone, 3 to 1 agst. Golden Duke, 5 to 1 Silver Band, 7 to 1 Lemstar and Black Miner, 8 to 1 Wild Vine, 10 to 1 Vambrace, 100 to 8 any other.

4.0 Race—5 to 4 agst. Tipperary Tim, 5 to 2 Thrown In, 4 to 1 Formidable, 6 to 1 Wild Times, 8 to 1 Belmont, 10 to 1 any other.

"FORM" HORSES.

LUDLOW.

1.30—Golden Fleece.
2.0—Ireland Green.
2.30—Saxham Prince.
3. 0—The Sheriff.
3.30—Kepplestone.
4. 0—Thrown In.
Double—The Sheriff (nap) and Kepplestone.

A Student of Form.

SPECIAL SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY.

Daily Mirror :—Double—Tedney (nap) and Kepplestone.

Daily News :—Double — Santavon and Kepplestone.

Daily Graphic :—Double — Santavon and Kepplestone.

Daily Express :—Double — Barcedo and North End. Safety bet—Barcedo.

Daily Chronicle :—Double — Barcedo and Wild Times. "To Beat the Book"—Barcedo.

Westminster Gazette :—To-day's best — Golden Fleece. Double—Golden Fleece and Dunadry.

SPORTING PARAGRAPHS.

Owing to floods Stockton Racecourse and the adjoining lands are under water.

New Zealand has sent in a challenge for the Davis Cup.

Colonel Matt J. Winn, general manager of the Kentucky Jockey Club, has announced (says Reuter) that the Jockey Club would offer 50,000 dollars as a capital prize and a gold cup, valued at approximately 5,000 dollars, to the winner of the race between the French colt, Epinard, and America's best three-year-olds and over, to be run over the Latonia track next October. The International event will be a weight-for-age race at a mile and a quarter.

LEOPARDSTOWN FEBRUARY MEETING, 1924.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9th.

First Race, 2.30 p.m.

A Train with reserved carriages for Members leaves Harcourt street Station at 1.45 p.m.

Carriages for Members will also be reserved on the Special Train leaving Foxrock at 4.50 p.m. after racing is over.

Members will only be admitted to reserved carriages on production of their badges.

On the introduction of a Member, tickets admitting to the Members' Enclosure can be obtained at the Members' Ticket Office on the Course—Gentlemen, 2 gns.; Ladies, 5/6 per day.

Combined Tickets for Course and Enclosure (except Club Enclosure) can be obtained at the Booking Offices at Harcourt street Station on day of races.—(Advt.)

NORTH KILDARE HARRIERS' POINT-TO-POINT RACES,

WINDGATES, MAYNOOTH,

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25th, 1924.

Members' Race, Ladies' Race, Farmers' Race, Light-Weight Open Race, Heavy-Weight Open Race.

Full particulars will appear in this week's *Sport*, *Irish Field*, and *Kildare Observer*.

Entries close Tuesday, February 19th, with the Hon. Sec., Mr. R. J. Ball, Dowdstown, Maynooth, from whom programmes and all further particulars may be procured.—(Advt.)

LUDLOW.

LOCHAR'S NARROW WIN.

BEN CRUCHAN BEATEN BY A NECK.

A heavy drizzle of rain early did not hold out great pospects of a fine day, but, fortunately, by the time racing started it had cleared off, and visitors were able to enjoy a good day's sport to the full. There was an excellent attendance and the course was in fine order.

An outsider in Frizbury carried off the first event, but it was surprising to see him neglected in the market, for he had run well to finish a good second to Octabella's Pride at Leicester. Fly Boy II. followed up his victory at Warwick by taking the Ferney Hall Steeplechase.

Phaon declined to exert himself in the Bromfield Hurdle, and after being well up with Pomar at the last hurdle, allowed himself to be easily beaten in the run in.

The Stewards' Steeplechase provided a thrilling race between Lochar and Ben Cruchan, the former getting the better of it by a neck.

1.30—CASTLE HURDLE HANDICAP (S.), £100. 2 m

Mr. O. Mosley's b. g. FRIZBURY, by Lomond—
Isleta, a, 10-12 ..... C. King 1
Brig.-Gen. Rotton's PIVOTAL, a, 12-4 ..Threlfell 2
Mrs. A. Bickley's MEADOWCROFT, a, 10-8 ..... G. Goswell 3

Also ran—Blacking (J. Anthony), Finisher (Dick), Call the Game (A. Smith), Poor Tom (A. Wagstaff), The Wish (T. James), Holiday Maker (S. Jones), Salona (Trudgill), Grey Lady (Waudby), Glance (W. Parvin). Off 1.34. (Winner trained by Mosley.)

Betting—3 to 1 agst. Poor Tom, 7 to 2 Blacking, 4 to 1 Pivotal, 10 to 1 Meadowcroft, 100 to 6 FRIZBURY or any other.

Won by five lengths; eight lengths.

The winner was sold to Brigadier-General Rotton for 100 gns.

2.0—FERNEY HALL STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP (S.), £100. 3 m.

Mr. F. Sharp's b. g. FLY BOY II., by Standard Bearer—Hush, a, 11-11 ..... C. Donnelly 1
Mr. R. Thelwall's PASTURES NEW, a, 12-6 ..... T. Tanner 2
Mr. J. Hogan's MANISTER RUSTLE, a, 10-5 ..... T. Sheridan, jun. 3

Also ran—Prince Clifton (Hehir), Icon (Mahoney), Wave For'ard (G. Goswell), Chang (Mr. Hilliard), Edgeley (W. Smith). Off 2.1. (Winner trained by Hogan.)

Betting—5 to 4 agst. FLY BOY II., 5 to 2 Wave For'ard, 5 to 1 each Pastures New and Manister Rustle, 10 to 1 any other.

Won by a length; six lengths.

The winner was sold to Mr. H. Adams for 200 gns.

2.30—BROMFIELD HURDLE RACE, £100. 2 m.

Captain Pepper's ch. h. POMAR, by Polymelus —Marsovia, a, 10-13 ..... Cheshire 1
Lord Derby's PHAON, 4, 10-9 ..... F. Wootton 2
Mr. R. Robb's AQUADULCIS, 5, 10-9 ..... Moylan 3

Also ran—Prosperitz (G. Donnelly), Vesuvius (Threlfell), Paulinus (W. Parvin), Monnale (A. Smith), Second Crop (Mr. P. Dennis), Munster's Pride (G. Goswell). Off 2.54. (Winner trained Privately.)

Betting—Evens Phaon, 4 to 1 agst. POMAR, 5 to 1 each Monnale and Prosperitz, 100 to 8 any other.

Won by four lengths; ten lengths.

3.0—STEWARDS' STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP, £100. 2½ m.

Capt. Wright's ch. g. LOCHAR, by Lochryan—Pernmiller, a, 9-10 ..... Roach 1
Mr. F. Barbour's BEN CRUCHAN, a, 12-1 ..... Waudby 2
Mr. G. Godson's GAY LOCHINVAR, a, 10-10 ..... R. Gordon 3

Also ran—The Heir (G. Goswell), Snipe's Bridge (J. Anthony), Navana (Bell), Lissen Hall (Boal), Simonides (P. Bell), Harry Hart (D. Behan), Miss Micawber (T. Moreau), Deniken (Trudgill). Off 3.2. (Winner trained by Bunn.)

Betting—9 to 4 agst. The Heir, 7 to 2 Ben Cruchan, 7 to 1 each Snipe's Bridge and Simonides, 8 to 1 Navana, 10 to 1 LOCHAR or any other.

Won by a length; a neck.

3.30—AMATEUR RIDERS' HURDLE H'CAP of £100. 2m.

Capt. Wheeler's b. h. WRANGLE, by Simon Square—Tit for Tat, 6, 10-3..Mr. T. O'Brien 1
Mr. P. Thrale's ILDERTON, 5, 11-7 ..Mr. Hilliard 2
Mr. R. Groves' FRONT LINE, a, 11-11..Owner 3

Also ran :—The Downs (Mr. H. Harvey), Marcia (Mr. C. Kirk), Reading (Lord Killeen), Bubbly (Mr. P. Dennis), Red Rock (Mr. V. Dennis), Someday (Mr. D. Thomas), Little Gem Rose (Mr. Bush). Off 3.31. (Winner trained by Kirk.)

Betting—2 to 1 agst. Marcia, 5 to 2 Reading, 6 to 1 each Bubbly and Ilderton, 7 to 1 WRANGLE, 100 to 8 bar five.

Won by three lengths; six lengths.

4.0—BEGINNERS' STEEPLECHASE of £100. 2 m.

Mr. T. Walker's b. g. DON, by Don Juan—Aughnickard, 5, 11-7 ..... J. Anthony 1
Mr. G. Hands' PICTBEEN, 6, 12-0 ..... Trudgill 2
Mr. T. M'Carthy's GALTEE BOY, a, 12-0 ..... Mr. P. Dennis 3

Also ran :—Pencerrig (Mr. D. Thomas), Yeoman (M. Smith). Off 4.0. (Winner trained by Hastings.)

Betting—Evens Galtee Boy, 2 to 1 agst. DON, 6 to 1 bar two.

Won by a head; four lengths.

TO-DAY'S SELECTIONS.

A very interesting day's sport was provided here yesterday, and there appears every prospect of a repetition for to-day, when the attendance should be satisfactory. Runners should again be plentiful. Selections :—

Knighton Steeplechase—**Pavot.**
Caynham Hurdle—**Bold Chap.**
Selling Hurdle—**Saxham Prince.**
Trial Handicap Steeplechase—**The Sheriff** or **Dunadry.**
Novices' Hurdle—**My Stars.**
Oakley Steeplechase—**Holiday Hall.**

1.30—KNIGHTON S'CHASE H'CAP. (S.), £100. 2 m.

	Age	st. lb.
GOLDEN FLEECE (Mr. W. Parrish) ..... H. Harrison	a 12	7
PAVOT (Capt. Rogers) ..... Rogers	6 11	4
ICON (Mr. K. Mackay) ..... Mackay	a 11	2
MASTER MACREA (Mr. C. Knapman) ..... Private	a 10	11
THE GROVE (Mr. J. Patrick) ..... Bedford	a 10	7
EDENA GRENA (Mr. W. Tanner) ..... D. Harrison	5 10	5

(The above have arrived.)

AMNESTY (Mr. W. Whiteman) Fergusson	a 12	5
PASTURES NEW (9lb. ex.) (Mr. R. Thelwall) ..... Thelwall	a 12	4
DRINMOYLE (Mr. W. Hamilton) ..... Private	a 11	13
SOME WOLF (Mr. A. Hunt) ..... A. Hunt	a 11	12
PRINCELING (Mr. A. Scott) ..... Woodland	a 11	12
GREEK VINE (5lb. ex.) (Mrs. Woolsey) ..... Stanley	a 11	12
PARAPLUIE (Mr. P. Hyde) ..... Hyde	a 11	10
TIME ENOUGH (Mr. H. Beeby) ..... Private	a 11	10
REDFORD ROW (Mr. W. Rimell) ..... Newey	a 11	7
MASTER PICTON (Col. Spencer) ..... Spencer	a 11	7
FLYING WINKFIELD (Mr. F. Burroughs) ..... Burroughs	a 11	4
SIGNUM (Mr. H. Delmege) ..... Luby	a 11	3
HERMOCLES (Mr. G. Sanday) ..... Sanday	5 11	3
SNOW MAN (5lb. ex.) (Mr. S. McMorran) ..... McMorran	a 11	2
BLUE DIAMOND (Mr. E. Davis) ..... E. Davis	a 10	13
WAVE FOR'ARD (Mr. C. Kenyon) ..... J. Dodd	a 10	12
OPHION (Mr. E. Tanner) ..... Lovell	a 10	10
SHREWSBURY (Mr. C. Kenyon) J. Dodd	a 10	8
INGOE (Mr. H. A. Brown) ..... H. Brown	a 10	8
ST. DAVID II. (Capt. Wheeler) ..... Kirk	a 10	7
TEETANE (Mr. F. Burroughs) ..... Burroughs	a 10	0
STALBRIDGE (Mr. H. Bruton) ..... Jones	a 10	0

2.0—CAYNHAM HURDLE MANDICAP, £150. 2 m.

	Age	st. lb.
HASSOCK (Mr. D. Barnett) ..... Earl	5 12	12
SANTAVON (Capt. Ker) ..... Batho	a 11	11
BARCEDO (Mr. J. Holmes) ..D. Harrison	a 11	9
THE DOWNS (Ld. Cawley) ..... Powell	5 11	6
MARCIA (Capt. Wilson) ..... J. Renwick	a 11	2
GAY LOCHINVAR (Mr. G. Godson) ..... Gordon	a 11	0
VESUVIUS (Brig.-Gen. Rotton) J. Renwick	a 10	13
BOLD CHAP (Mr. A. Holmes) ..... Hogan	a 10	13
IRELAND GREEN (Mr. W. Parrish) ..... H. Harrison	5 10	9
GARRETT (Mr. C. Kenyon) ..... J. Dodd	6 10	6
SPARKLING EYES (Mrs. Robinson) ..... Moore	a 10	4
MANISTER BELLE (Mr. E. Merrell) ..... Merrell	6 10	0

(The above have arrived.)

WERWOLF (Sir R. Jardine) ..... Coulthwaite	5 12	4
BE A LAD (Mr. A. Scott) ..... A. Scott	a 11	12
TEDNEY (Mr. T. Walker) ..... Hastings	6 11	12
COMETHER (Mr. T. Donnolly) ..... Gilbert	a 11	7
WATERFORD GLASS II. (7lb. ex.) ..... Naway	a 11	5
MOONBEAM (Mr. H. Kershaw) ..Anthony	a 11	1
READING (7lb. ex.) (Mr. M. Cummins) ..... Woodman	6 10	13
WATERBOTTLE (Mr. A. Scott) ..A. Scott	a 10	12
MERRILY (Mr. H. Harrison) H. Harrison	5 10	12
MILEWATER (Mr. H. Miller) ..... Earl	5 10	11
ERDIA (Sir E. Edgar) ..... Whitaker	a 10	9
PHAT (Mr. W. Knight) ..... G. Bennett	5 10	8
CHUCK A PENNY (Mr. F. Kimberley) ..... Bullock	6 10	0

2.30—SELLING HURDLE RACE, £100. 2 m. Age st. lb.

PIVOTAL (Brig.-Gen. Rotton) J. Renwick	a 12	0

(The above has arrived.)

BRIGHT SHOT (Mrs. Clark) ..... Clark	a 12	0
FIRST WHEAT (Mr. J. Colt) ..... Private	a 12	0
THREE CASTLES (Mr. H. Dennis) ..... Barthropp	5 11	10
QUESTIONNAIRE (Mr. S. Pickering) ..... Pickering	5 11	10
CARANTUOHIL (Mr. Burke) ..... Private	a 11	7
LAVENDER KID (Mr. W. Graszebrook) ..... Brown	a 11	7
CYLMINT (Mr. F. Groves) ..... Bletsoe	a 11	7
TIN HAT (Mrs. Roberts) ..... Saxby	a 11	7
FINE GOLD (Mr. H. Sidebottom) Kirk	6 11	7
SAXHAM PRINCE (Mr. E. Tattersall) ..... G. Poole	a 11	7
VILLAGE LAD (Mr. Hutsby) ..... Private	5 11	3
STAND ASIDE (Mr. W. Parrish) ..... Barthropp	5 11	3
OH HELP (Mr. W. Warner) ..... Newey	4 10	7
COCK EYE (Mr. W. Warner) Burroughes	4 10	7

3.0—TRIAL S'CHASE HANDICAP, £100. Age st. lb.

NAVANA (Mr. C. Kenyon) ..... C. Davis	a 11	5
THE SHERIFF (Mr. W. Parsonage) ..... Whitaker	6 10	13
FAIRFIELD (Mr. H. Dennis) ..... D. Harrison	a 10	9

(The above have arrived.)

BALLINODE (14 ex.) (Mr. C. Bentley) ..... Barthropp	a 12	8
BEN CRUCHAN (Mr. F. Barbour) ..... Coulthwaite	a 12	7
DOUBLE UP (Mr. A. Barclay Walker) ..... F. Brown	a 12	6
UPROAR (Mr. A. Kinahan) ..... Bletsoe	a 11	10
CATAMARAN (Mr. L. Beauchamp) ..... Whitaker	a 11	9
MANISTER BRIDGE (Mr. F. Parkin) ..... Woodman	a 11	6
FLUSHED (Lt.-Col. Phillips) ..R. Payne	a 11	5
MARTES (Capt. Powell) ..... Powell	a 11	4
OUTLAW (Mr. W. Parsonage) ..... Bullock	a 11	3
PRUDHOMME (Mr. C. Kenyon) J. Dodd	a 10	12
DUNADRY (Mrs. Blain) ..... Spittle	a 10	10
ASHWOOD (Ld. Londesborough) ..... H. Brown	a 10	9
PROGRESS (Ld. Westmorland) ..... Westmorland	6 10	6
BRUTUS III. (Mr. G. Sanday) ..Sanday	a 10	4

3.30—NOVICES' HURDLE RACE, £100. 2 m. Age st. lb.

BLACK MINER (Mr. C. Kenyon) J. Dodd	6 11	4
LEMSTAR (Mr. C. Kenyon) ..... J. Dodd	6 11	4
ULTIMATUM (Mr. J. Moore) ....Sheeden	6 11	4
BESPRED (Mr. J. Colt) ..... Earl	5 11	0
MY STARS (Mr. S. Hyde) ..... Hyde	5 11	0
SILVER BAND (Capt. Wilson) ..... J. Renwick	5 11	0
SECOND CROP (Mr. H. Dennis) ..... Barthropp	4 10	4
FRENCH ACE (Lieut.-Col. Lindsay) ..... Lindsay	4 10	0

(The above have arrived.)

KEPPLESTONE (Mr. A. Barclay Walker) ..... Coulthwaite	4 10	4

(The above have arrived.)

MISS CAUBEEN (Mr. W. Philip) ..... Saxby	a 11	9
CURRAGH GIRL (Mrs. Delmege) ..... Luby	a 11	4
NORTH ISLE (Mr. D. Faber) ..... Hatt	6 11	4
FLOWER VALE (Mr. D. Foley) ..... Ireland	a 11	4
NORTH END (Mrs. Bibby) ..... Withington	5 11	0
WILD VINE (Sir N. McMillan) ..... F. Hartigan	5 11	0
LITTLE SIP (Mrs. Mundy) ..... D. Harrison	5 11	0
WOOLLEY BRIDGE (Mr. H. Rhodes) ..... Coldheck	5 11	0
GOLDEN DUKE (Mr. T. Richardson) ..... Doyle	5 11	0
ALD LANG SYNE (Mr. A. Scott) ..... A. Scott	5 11	0
NOBLE PRINCESS (Mr. W. Wallis) ..... Private	5 11	0
WILD DUCK (Mr. F. Williame) ..... J. Scott	5 11	0
HUNGARIAN (Major Mundy) (7lb. ex.) ..... Whitaker	4 10	11
LANCELY (Lieut.-Col. Birkin) ..... Private	4 10	4
BARBARUS (Mr. F. Burroughs) ..... Burroughs	4 10	4
SHOCK (Mr. B. Davies) ..... Private	4 10	4
CAVILION (Mr. C. Spender) ..... Bullock	4 10	4
VAMBRACE (Mr. C. Green) ..C. Piggott	4 10	4
TIBRACIAN (Mr. A. MacColl) ..MacColl	4 10	4
THIEF (Lord Merthyr) ..... Powell	4 10	4
HAZOE (Mr. C. Osgathorpe) ..O'Sullivan	4 10	4
WAGER (Miss Redoconnell) ..... Powell	4 10	4
WHITE EMPRESS (Mrs. Winterbottom) ..... W. Renwick	4 10	4

4.0—OAKLY STEEPLECHASE, £100. 2 m. Age st. lb.

TIPPERARY TIM (Mr. C. Kenyon) ..... J. Dodd	6 12	8
LISSEN HALL (Mr. N. Greer) ..Private	6 12	3

(The above have arrived.)

DRUMBECK (Mr. A. Blake) ..... Private	a 12	13
POTHEEN (Lord Londesborough) ..... Coulthwaite	a 12	13
HOLIDAY HALL (Major Lyons) Hastings	5 12	10
RED TURK (Capt. Browne) ..Withington	a 12	3
CLIFFORD HALL (Mr. C. Brownhill) ..... Brownhill	a 12	3
RUDDY GLOW (Mr. W. Sankey) ..... H. Brown	6 12	3
DOWN SOUTH (Mr. G. Kenyon) C. Davis	a 12	3
PICTURE HALL (Mr. G. Lee) ..... Withington	a 12	3
HONEST ROY (Mr. J. Lewis) ....Roberts	6 12	3
WING COMMANDER (Mr. J. Major) ..... Private	a 12	3
THROWN IN (Mrs. Sanday) ....Sanday	a 12	3
WILD TIMES (Mr. H. A. Brown) ..... H. Brown	a 11	12
HYMIR (Mr. K. Milnes) ..... Hogan	a 11	12
REAHILLS (Mr. H. Hartigan) ..... F. Hartigan	5 11	10
INDIAN GYPSY (Mr. W. Philip) ..Saxby	5 11	10
AMPERE (Lord Cawley) ..... Powell	a 11	7
L'AIGLON II. (Mr. T. Cholmondeley) ..... Private	a 11	7
BELMONT (Mr. T. Somerset) ..Coulthwaite	a 11	7
USTON MUTE (Mr. A. Scott) ...Woodland	5 11	0
CONDONOLIN (Mr. S. Wootton) ....Doyle	5 11	0
FORMIDABLE (Lord Cawley) ..... Powell	4 10	5

SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY'S LUDLOW MEETING

PAPER.	1.30 RACE.	2.0 RACE.	2.30 RACE.	3.0 RACE.	3.30 RACE.	4.0 RACE.
Sportsman	Ingoe.	Barcedo.*	Saxham Prince.	Dunadry.	Silver Band.	L'Aiglon II.
Man on the Spot	Bedford Row.	Barcedo.	Bright Shot.	Dunadry.	Kepplestone.	Down South.
Sporting Life	Golden Fleece.	Tedney.	Saxham Prince.*	Dunadry.	Kepplestone.	Wild Times.
Man on the Spot	Golden Fleece.	Hassock.	Saxham Prince.*	Uproar.	Kepplestone.	Thrown In.
Westminster Gazette	Golden Fleece.	Comether; if ab., Reading.	Carantuohill.	Dunadry.	Flower Vale.	Formidable.
Daily News	Golden Fleece.	Merrily.*	Saxham Prince.	The Sheriff.	Kepplestone.	Formidable.
Daily Chronicle	Bedford Row.	Barcedo.	Pivotal.	Fairfield.	Kepplestone.	Wild Times.*
Daily Express	Bedford Row; if ab., Flying Winkfield.	Barcedo.*	Lavender Kid; if ab., Pivotal.	Dunadry; if ab., The Sheriff.	North End (next best).	Thrown In.
Daily Mirror	Snow Man.	Tedney.	Saxham Prince.	Dunadry.	Kepplestone.	Indian Gypsy.
Daily Graphic	Golden Fleece.	Santavon.	Bright Shot.	Uproar.	Kepplestone.*	Formidable.
Star	Bedford Row.	Merrily.	Bright Shot.*	Catamaran.	Wild Vine.	Wild Times.
Evening News	Edena Grena.	Barcedo.*	Bright Shot.	Outlaw.*	Second Crop.	Formidable.
Evening Standard	Bedford Row.	Barcedo.	Pivotal.	Progress.	Silver Band.	Indian Gypsy.

CHELMSFORD RESULTS

1.30—ROMFORD HURDLE HANDICAP (S.), £100. Second, £5. 2 m.

Mrs. Brownlee's b. g. WARRIOR, by Hector—Sweet Memory, 5, 10-7 ..... M. Tighe 1
Mr. W. Cary's PURPLE RIDER, 5, 10-4 ..... Mr. L. Parry 2
Mr. J. Goding's JACK ROLE, a, 11-7 ..W. Speck 3

Also ran :—Son o' Melton (A. Escott), Bedella (J. Dodd), Topical Charlie (McCord), Cashlie (Mr. Prioleau), Adelene (J. J. Kelly), Grandson (J. L'Estrange), Oddments (T. Leader), Glandutra (W. Smyth), Household Brigade (L. Rees), Fairy Cross (Mr. J. Gosden), Gazaboe (F. Allen), Monkey Climb (F. Espin), Registration (B. Parsons). Off 1.31. (Winner trained by Butchers.)

Betting—5 to 2 agst. Bedella, 6 to 1 each WARRIOR, Jack Role and Son o' Melton, 7 to 1 Household Brigade, 10 to 1 any other.

Won by two lengths; one length.

The winner was sold to Mr. Carey for 80 gns.

2.0—CANNON HURDLE RACE, £100. Second £10; third, £5. 2 m.

Major Mundy's br. c. HUNGARIAN, by Hapsburg—Olum, 4, 10-7 ..... A. Escott 1
Mrs. Russell's BONNE RACE, 6, 11-3..T. Leader 2
Mr. G. Bennett's TELEPATHY, 6, 11-12 ..... G. Duller 3

Also ran—Sunny Mount (B. Hine), Persicovsky (S. Tidey), Imperial (I. Morgan), Frocked (S. Madden), Half Asleep (Mr. S. Prioleau). Off 2.2. (Winner trained by Whitaker.)

Betting—Evens HUNGARIAN, 4 to 1 agst. Bonne Race, 9 to 2 Imperial, 8 to 1 Telepathy, 10 to 1 any other.

Won by one length; one and a half lengths.

2.30—MALDON HURDLE HANDICAP, £100. Second, £10; third, £5. 2 m.

Mrs. Russell's b. h. SQUIRE ERLEGH, by Maiden Erlegh—Frusquin Belle, 6, 11-7 ..... T. Leader 1
Mr. E. Bartholomew's RED CITY, a, 11-3 ..... P. Fleming 2
Mrs. Bennett's MANRICO, a, 11-6 .....G. Duller 3

Also ran—Brownstown (Mr. Blagood), Bimbia (Owner), Rookwood (A. Escott), A.A. (F. Rees), East Lincoln (J. J. Kelly), Prolific (S. Tilley). Off 2.31. (Winner trained by T. Leader.)

Betting—6 to 4 agst. SQUIRE ERLEGH, 5 to 2 Rookwood, 6 to 1 A.A., 7 to 1 Red City, 10 to 1 any other.

Won by four lengths; two lengths.

3.0—INGATESTONE STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP (S.), £100. Second £5. 2 m.

Mrs. Woolsey's b. h. GREEK VINE, by Corcyra—Herb of Grace, a, 11-4 ..... T. Costello 1
Mr. G. James's MOONLIT, a, 10-9 ..... J. Casey 2
Captain Hugget's CAPTAIN SCOTT, a, 10-2 ..... Lefebve 3

Also ran—Prince Florentine (Wareham), Governor Wood (J. L'Estrange), The Moon (F. Brooke), Ballinalawn (W. Casey). Off 3.0. (Winner trained by O. Stanley.)

Betting—4 to 4 agst. Governor Wood, 4 to 1 GREEK VINE, 9 to 2 The Moon, 5 to 1 Prince Florentine, 10 to 1 any other.

Won by two lengths; half a length. Governor Wood fell, Prince Florentine ran out.

There was no bid for the winner.

3.30—KING WILLIAM S'CHASE HANDICAP, £100. Second £10, third £5. 3 m.

Mr. M. M'Kevitt's b. g. THE BLEEKA, by Ardoon—Windward's Pride, a, 11-12..L. Rees 1
Col. Croft's TARA KING, a, 10-11..Mr. Chapman 2
Capt. Brinckman's GREENOGUE, a, 11-10 ..... Mulhall ns. d. Dress Circle (Beauty's Boy II.—Dainty Dish) beat Mr. C. Smith ns. bk. d. (p.) Service Kit (Victorious Ally—Damorra). ..... Escott 3

Also ran :—St. Endas (T. Costello), James Pigg (W. Madden), Ned Carver (F. Rees), Perseverance (J. Green), Cryptical (Mr. L. Parry), Green Label (P. Fleming), Condor (owner), Sang Bleu (W. Kelly). Off 3.34. (Winner trained by G. Poole.)

Betting—Evens Greenogue, 6 to 1 each agst. Condor and St. Endas, 7 to 1 THE BLEEKA, 8 to 1 Ned Carver, 100 to 8 bar five.

Won by two lengths; one length. Condor and Sang Bleu fell.

4.0—COLCHESTER S'CHASE, £100. Second £10, third £5. 2 m.

Mrs. Norman's ch. g. VOCALION, by Polyphonic—Surmise, 5, 11-0 ..... F. Brooke 1
Mrs. Preston's LAST BORN, a, 11-7..Mr. Pulford 2
Col. Croft's LAMBAY, 10, 11-7 ..... G. Green 3

Also ran :—Apple Pie (A. Hughes), Olympus (Mr. G. S. Poole). Off 4.1. (Winner trained by Kemp.)

Betting—5 to 4 agst. VOCALION, 3 to 1 Lambay, 7 to 2 Olympus, 10 to 1 bar three.

Won by fifteen lengths; four lengths. Apple Pie fell.

COURSING.

THE IRISH WATERLOO.

FAVOURITES OVER-THROWN.

CUP WINNERS DEFEATED.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT).

LIMERICK, Wednesday Night.

It was an eventful day at Clonnanna, and the startling surprises, which followed in regular and rapid sequence, thrilled—and, I would say, also chilled—the record company which lined up alongside the big flat. The recent Cork Cup winner, Friendly Champion, was the first to be overthrown; then the Duggan Cup winner, Gaulstown Gun, bit the dust, and the fancied Tetrarch Cup victor, Top Price, also qualified for the Purse, but the Greenall Cup winner, Brave Show, was left, and with him lay the hope that he would prove equal to his big task and justify his position as first favourite, but, to the astonishment of all, he, too, crumpled up, and so at the end of the day all the overnight favourites had vanished from the scene.

COURSES LACKING IN UNIFORMITY.

It was not a great day's coursing; as a matter of fact, it is many a long day since we had such moderate class trials at Clonnanna. The cup courses here have really never been so lacking in uniformity as they were to-day; for, while a number of spins ended with the hare getting away, the majority of those sent out were too weak to afford anything like a good test, and to that circumstance has to be attributed the defeat of more than one of the fancied candidates. In the case of Top Price this was particularly noticeable. Top Price, had the hare gone right on, would most likely have led and beaten Loranthus, who was his rival when pussy swept across to him; a *contretemps* which enabled him to take the turn, and with such a hare the turn alone was all that was necessary to gain for him the flat. But there was no excuse whatsoever for the poor showing of Friendly Champion, Gaulstown Gun, or Brave Show, which were certainly beaten on their merits. Nor did Guiding Hand add to his reputation in his second course.

NORTHERN DOGS RUN WELL.

With all the supposed top notchers out of the way the struggle continues a very open affair. Of those in the top half, Stormont and Malone, representing the North, went with plenty of fire, but not one of the remaining eight here showed up nearly so well as Try Another and What's next, while Make Victory Sure, Searshea, and Pictorium have all the points in a short course, except the kill.

BRAVE SHOW beat JULIA'S PUP.—Betting—8 to 1 on Brave Show. The favourite stretched out for a three lengths lead, kept possession for the second, and slipped up in an unsuccessful effort to kill, whereupon Julia's Pup went on to knock pussy off her legs.

BILLY PHIL beat BRENDAN'S PET.—Betting—2 to 1 on Billy Phil. Billy Phil was two lengths faster to the hare; a quick exchange followed, when Billy Phil resumed for a couple more, the white collar then nicking in to kill.

ROCK LASS II. beat STYLISH WORKER.—Betting—2 to 1 on Rock Lass II. Stylish Worker got the turn about half a length on an inside. A fine trial followed, the Northerner going in for a good innings after the turn, and had the course won. Then Stylish Worker got in front again, but the Lass finished the stronger, and won with a nice bit in hand.

AHAFONA beat WALTZAWAY VI.—Betting—Evens Ahafona. Ahafona rattled away for a lead of three lengths, and was a very easy winner when he legged his game on the bank, the red collar having only a couple of scores in the middle of the course.

LAST HOP

FINANCIAL NEWS AND NOTES.

IRISH STOCK EXCHANGES.

DUBLIN.

NATIONAL LOAN ACTIVE AND GOOD. WAR LOAN LOWER. GUINNESS EASIER. TEXTILES IRREGULAR. RAILS UNCERTAIN. SHELLS AGAIN HIGHER.

There was a fair amount of quiet business on 'Change yesterday, with a good many irregular price fluctuations. Government National 5 p.c. Loan fully paid on application rose further, and was keenly supported, but the instalment Stocks at one time were rather on offer, but at the later market were much firmer. War Loan 5 p.c. Stock was lower, and otherwise British Funds were practically neglected. Banking securities were much quieter, with, however, support for Munster and Leinsters and Nationals. Guinness Ord. eased a further fraction, but Distillery Shares were firm and a trifle higher. Marconis were firm. Home Rails were slightly irregular. Great Northern issues were firm, but Great Southern and Western Ord. and Pref. gave way. Dunlop Rubber Ord. were rather supported, but Parent Tyres were neglected. Tramways were also idle. Textiles were a little irregular. Bleachers and Cottons rose, while Dyers, Spinners and others eased a little. *Irish Times* Pref. continue to advance, and up to 5 was ineffectually bid for Gresham Hotel Shares, an advance of 20s. on recent enhanced bid. Shell Transports rose further. Imperial Tobaccos were in strong request. T. Lyons and Co. Drapery Shares notify again a 10 p.c. per annum final dividend, but the 3s. per share bonus notified a year ago is not repeated, while the sum placed to the reserve is now £5,000, against £5,000 a year ago.

In Government Funds, National 5 p.c. Sterling Loan fully paid on application rose ¼ to 98½ for both classes of this Stock, and at the later market the £60 paid scrip rose ¼ to 1¼ prem. and in the instalment fully paid ⅜ to 9¾ ex coupon.

In British Funds, War Loan 5 p.c. fell ¼ to 100½, while the 4½ p.c. War Loan Stock repeated 96½.

In Banks, Munster and Leinsters rose ¼ to 9½, and Nationals repeated 19½.

Among Breweries and Distilleries, Guinness Ord. fell ¼ to 40½, while Dunvilles rose ⅛ to 3½ and J. Power and Son Pref. 3s. to 21s. 3d. for a small lot.

British and Irish Steam Pref. repeated 15s. 7½d. and Grand Canal Ord. 47s. 6d.

Marconi Ord. rose 3d. to 39s. 3d.

As regards Home Rails, Great Northern rose ¼ to 67, but the Guaranteed closed ¼ lower at 63 64 nominally, and the Debs. repeated 72. Dublin and South-Eastern fell ¼ to 18½, and the 5 p.c. Deb. repeated 61. Great Southern and Western fell ½ to 49 and the Pref. ¾ to 57½. Midland Great Western 4 p.c. Debs. were inclined to droop, the 3 per cent. and 5½ per cent. Stocks both being a point easier at 56 and 64, respectively. Apart from a rise of 1 in Alberta 4½ per cent., Colonial issues were without movement.

Brazilians were firm in the FOREIGN MARKET. The Funding (1908) Issue rose 2 points to 86, and other descriptions advanced a point. Mexicans improved, the 5 per cent. (1899) and the 6 per cent. 10-year Treasury issue both being 1½ to the good. San Paulo 8 per cent. rose 2, and Peruvian Pref. added ½. French issues were unchanged, but German Threes hardened ½ to 1½.

HOME RAILS were almost without feature. London and North-Eastern Def.-Ord. at 33 fell ½, and Districts at 56½ lost ½.

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILWAYS were strongly supported, and business was unusually active. "Canpacs," however, remained unchanged at 172. Argentines further advanced. B.A.G.S. at 90 rose 1; Pacifics at 82 gained 1½. Westerns at 90 and Centrals at 78 both gained a point. Entre Rios Ord. rose 3½ to 21, and Pref. 1 to 71. Mexican Rails at 10, the 8 per cent. Pref. at 27, and the 6 per cent. Pref. at 17, each rose a point. San Paulo Ord. rose 1 to 151. United of Havana gained a point at 86, while Leopoldina rose ½ to 27½.

OIL SHARES IRREGULAR.

A GENERAL FALL.

From the point of view of business, the Oil Share market yesterday compared quite favourably with the preceding day, transactions being once more on a large scale; but, although a firm start was made, some see-saw movements were witnessed in the leaders and other favourites, and changes on balance were of an irregular character. The irregular tendency resulted in the main from profit-taking sales by the general public. Brokers whose clients have profits showing approached dealers with the object of securing the benefit of the advance, but at the same time evinced a desire to place the proceeds into something which has not shared in the improvement to any appreciable extent. This is a good thing in its way, as it indicates a broadening of interest. At the same time, the advance has been so general that it is a difficult matter to suggest the direction in which the money should be placed. Consequent upon public profit-taking, professional operators attempted to bang the leading issues, with, however, only a limited amount of success, for prices quickly responded to any renewal of demand. Closing prices :—

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4	Agwi Petroleum
2¾	Anglo-American
2⅜	Anglo-Ecuadorian
2⅜	Anglo-Egyptian
23/3	Anglo-Persian
24/0	Do. 5 p.c. 2nd Pref.
⅝	Do. Ord., issued 5/4 p.s.
⅝	Do. 5 p.c. Deb.
2½	Apex Trinidad
2½	Attock
⅞	Brit. Borneo Pet. (10/-)
3/0	British Burmah (6/-)
6/7½	British Controlled
8/6½	Do. Pref.
5/3	Burmah
1/4	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.
1/10½	Caltex
12/0	Bucis Romano
4¼	Eagle Transport
100	Do. 7 p.c. Notes
101	Do. Reserve
5/6	General Pet Trinidad A
—	Jade Burmah
19/3	Kern River (10/-)
7⅞	Lobitos
19/0	Mexican Eagle
18/10½	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.
14/0	Do. Canadian (10/-)
—	Oilfields Egypt
3/9	Peru Syndicate
22/6	Pigeniz
1/3	Premier Oil
—	Rumanian Consolidated
40⅞	Royal Dutch
1/1½	Scottish American
4/8	Shell Transport
9/9	Do. 5 p.c. Pref. (£10)
24/0	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.
4/0	Spies (10/-)
10/0	Steaua Romana
6/9	Tankers Pref.
2/6	Trinidad Central
1/9	Trinidad Lease
8/6	United Brit Trinidad
—	Ural Caspian
5/3	Uroz Oil
1/3	V.O.C. Holdings
1½	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.

BUSINESS DONE.

Agwi Corp. "A"—14⅞, 7¾d., 15/1, 14/11½. 15/-, 7⅛d., 14/9, 6d. **Anglo-Ecuadorian New**—45/7½, 6/3, 6/1½, 5/-, 7⅛d. **Anglo-Egyptian "B"**—28/7½, 6/10½, 7/6, 9¼d., 10/-, 9/5d. **Anglo-Persian Ord.**—61/3, 3/1½, 5¼d., 2/9½, 6d., 4/4½, 3/9, 1/10½; do. 8 p.c. Pref.—25/6, 1½d., 7¾d. **British Controlled Com.**—7/1½, 6/10½, 9d., 7/-, 3d., 6/7½, 11¼d., 6/9, 9¼d., 6d., 4¼d., 10¼d., 8/-, 8/6½, 9¾d. **Burmah**—5⅛, ⅜, 17-64, ⅛, ⅞, ⅝. **Kern River**—20/3, 9d., 20/-, 1¼d., 6d., 7¼d., 9d., 19/9, 7¼d., 20/6, 19¼d., 6d. **Lobitos**—7/8, ⅞, 7⅜, ⅝, ¾, ⅛, ⅜, ⅝, 29-64, ½. **Mexican Eagle Ord.**—20/3, 1¼d., 4¼d., 20/7½, 19/7¼, 20/1½, *20/-, 19/10½; do. 7 p.c. 1st Pref.—14/9, 9¾d., *15/-, 14/10½, 6d., 15/-. **Phoenix Oil**—22/3, 1/7½, 10¼d., 9d., *44/d., 2/3½, 1/6, 44/d. **Royal Dutch**—⅝, ⅞, 1, 40⅞, 1, ⅝. **Shell**—98/14½, 6/10½, 3d., 8/5½, 9d., 4/4½, 6/7½, 7/3, 6/-, 7/4½. **Trinidad Leaseholds**—35/-, 4/3, 3/9, 4/1½, 4½d. **Uroz**—6/1½, 5/9, 7d., 10¼d., 6/-, 5/9, 6d., 7¼d., 10½d. **V.O.C. Holdings**—37/6, 8/1½, 7/9½, 6/6½, 10½d., 7/4½, 8/1½, 9d., 6/10½, 7/-, 9d.

(*Exceptional bargain at special price.)

RUBBER SHARES STILL UNCERTAIN.

There was a rather uncertain tendency in the Rubber share market yesterday, though business was more active. Prices, however, were irregular. Glenbervie rose 2s. 6d. to 26s., and General Ceylon 2s. to 36s.; Sennah gained 11½d. to 15s. Labu fell 3s. 3d. to 26s. 6d., P. P. K. Ceylon 2s. to 15s. 6d., Sendayan 1s. 10½d. to 31s. 6d. Sapumalkande at 20s. lost 1s. 9d., Sedenak fell 1s. 3d. to 13s. 9d., and Tandjong Is. 3d. to 32s. 6d. The price of rubber rose to 13¾d. per lb. Closing prices :—

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7/0	Anglo-Dutch
2/4½	Anglo-Java
1/3	Anglo-Malay
4/4½	Bertam Corp.
2/10½	Bukit Mertajam
17½	Bukit Sembawang
14/6	Damansara
20 0	Grand Central
1⅞	Highlands
2/9	Kanuning
4/1½	Kepong
1⅜	Kuala Lumpur
1½	Labu
1⅞	Lingei
3/6	London-Asiatic
1⅛	Malacca
29/6	Malayalam
2/7½	Merlimau
⅝	Mooply Valley
2/3	Port Dickson
26/6	Rubber Trust
13/9	Seafield
1⅝	Sendayan
1⅝	Sialang
18/9	Straits Rubber
20/0	Tali Ayer
1⅝	Tandjong
3/4½	Un-Serdang
3½	United Sua Betong
11/3	Vallambrosa

Anglo-Sum.	49 6	N. Hummock	17/8 +0/0
Bah Lias	30/0	P.P.K.(C'ey'n)	15/6* −2/0
Bain Tigi	32/0	Fatahling	17/6
B.N.B.R.Trst	8/6	Pilmoor	15/7½
Brish	1/7½	Rim Malacca	3/0
Bukit Cloh	8/4½	Sub.K.Johore	20/3
Bukit Rajah	2/3	Sapong	26/3
Castlefield	4/6	Sapumalk'de	20/0 −1/9
Chevjot	2/10½	Selangor	4 4½
Cicely	4/4½ −0/3	SerdangCu'l	24/0
Eastern Trust	15/0	Soember Aloe	1/8
Gen.Ceylon	38/0 +2/0	Sumatra Con.	20/7½ −0/10½
Glenbervie	26/0 +2/6	Sungei Buaya	21/3
Golden Hope	10/4½	Sungei Cholo	16/3
Java Amal.	21/0	Sungei Kapar	3/5½
Kapar Para	40 4½	Sungei Kr. Pt.	35/0
Kasintoe	18/9* −1/0	Taiping	1 6½
Kepitigalla	7/0	Tebrau	29/6
Kombok	2/3½ +0/2	Telogoredjo	38/9
Langkat Sum	28/3	Tempeh	0/9
Ledbury	26/0	Un.Temiang	2/7½
Manchjur N.D.	20/0	Yam Seng	1/10
Membakut	11/0		

*Ex Div. † Ex Rights. ‡ Cum div.

RUBBER CROPS FOR JANUARY.

Eerembon, 98,475 (82,947); Sungei Choh, 45,826 (41,838); Abaco, 11,500 (10,000); Bukit Kajang, 51,672 (53,957); Castlefield, 58,286 (63,706); Chota, 18,855 (17,036); Gan Kee, 12,000 (12,209); Holyrood, 34,325 (28,469); Hong Kong, 12,010 (15,317); Killinghall 21,337 (21,383); Rahaun, 22,097 (24,789); Sungei Karl, 20,854 (26,180); Tanah Datar, 16,705 (19,150); Broome Selangor, 32,000 (33,350); Caledonian, 14,980 (11,467).

Ayer Kuning, 51,000 lbs. (61,000); Bradwall, 45,088 (29,006); Highlands and Lowlands, 88,300 (97,250); Kiabang, 27,600 (30,700); Majedie, 14,300 (16,000); Permas, 19,380 (13,441); Sekong, 18,160 (15,000); Sungei Krian, 64,000 (60,000); Badek, 55,895 (50,898); Chersonese, 43,950 (48,063).

(Crops for January, 1923, are given in parentheses.)

COPPER OUTPUT.

Tanganyika Concessions.—Production of Union Miniere Du Haut Katanga for January, 5,187 tons.

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COMPANY NOTICES.

SLIGO, LEITRIM AND NORTHERN COUNTIES RAILWAY COMPANY.

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of this Company will be held on Friday, the 29th day of February, 1924, at One o'clock precisely, at Ramsay's Hotel, Sligo, to receive a Report from the Directors on the affairs of the Company, and for the general business of the Company.

The Transfer Books for "C" Debenture Stock will be Closed from the 15th day of February, 1924, to the 29th day of February, 1924, both days inclusive.

S. C. LITTLE, Secretary.

Company's Office, Enniskillen,
5th February, 1924.

THE LINEN THREAD CO., LTD.

The Transfer Books of the Preferred Ordinary and Ordinary Shares will be Closed from 8th to 22nd inst., both days inclusive, preparatory to payment of final Dividend and Bonus on 23rd inst.

By Order of the Board,
J. W. MACDONALD, Secretary.

63 Bothwell street, Glasgow,
4th February, 1924.

GOLD PROFITS FOR JANUARY.

Golden Horseshoe Estates, £2,454; Brakpan, £57,054 (£52,346); Springs Mines, £63,025 (£61,450); Transvaal Gold Mining Estates, £5,619 (£4,018); East Rand, £10,121 (£7,139); Aurora West, £2,042 (£2,027); Meyer and Charlton, £21,024 (£20,136); Van Ryn Gold, £10,056 (£10,326); West Rand Consolidated, £5,005 (£4,613).

(December profits in parentheses.)

BELFAST.

Exchange was more active yesterday and prices maintained strength. War Loan brought 100⅛, the 4 p.c. Loan 102¼, Victory Bonds 91¾, Funding Loan 88⅝. Northern Bank "A" sold at 5¾, Midland Bank New 9⅞, Great Northern Stock 66¾; York Street Flax Spinning Ord. 29 ex div., Dunville and Co. 11½; British-American Tobacco 104s. 1½d., Imperial Tobacco better at 72s. 3d. Dunlop Rubber unchanged at 8s. 3d. Lever Bros. 7 p.c. Pref. 20s. 7½d. ; the 8 p.c. Pref. declined 5d. to 20s. 5d. Wall Paper Manufacturers Deferred 16s., Illingworth Morris Ord. 15s. 6d.

CLOSING PRICES.

The quotations in the following tables were made up at an earlier hour than, and may, therefore, vary to some extent from, those given in our comments :—

CONSOLS, ETC.

Consols	56⅛	5% Conv. Ln.	76½-76¾
War Ln. 3½%	83½	Irish Land	57-59
do. 4½%	96-97	India 3%	55-57 −1
do. 5%	100-100⅛	do. 3½	53-55 −1
do. 4% (Tax free)	101⅛-102⅛	do. 4%	99⅛-100⅛
Fund'g Ln.	86¼ −⅝	do. 2½	37-39
Victory Bds.	91-92	Local Loans	54-55 − ⅜
		Sudan 4½ p.c.	107-109*

COLONIAL GOVERNMENT STOCKS.

Alberta 4½ 1942	87-95 +1	Nigeria 6%	110-112
Aust.Com.	101-102	Q'sland 4,1930-50	78-81
do. 6%	102-104*	do. 4½ 1915-45	87-90
Brit.Col 4½ 1941	93-96	do. 6% 1930-40	98-103
Canada 4%	89-91	S. Africa 4% Cns	81-83*
do. 4½ 1925-55	100-101	do. 6%	104-106
Cape 3½ Cons.	79-81	S.A'str'l'n'd '40-60	82-85
Ceylon 6%	105-7*	do. 5½	100-102
Natal 3½ '24	79-81	do. 4½	105-7
N.S.W. 4½	92-95	Victoria 4, 1940-60	84-86
do. 5% 1927-7	99-101*	do. 6% 1921-5	102-7*
do. 4% 1927-57	101-103	W.Aust'n'l 4%	82-85
do. 6½ 1930-40	105-7*	do. 5% 1930-40	103-105*
N.Zeal'd 4% '29	91-93		

AMERICAN RAILS.

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—	Atchison	116	118*
—	Baltimore	56	58
—	Chesapeake	87	89
—	Chicago, Milwaukee	19½	— ⅛
31½	Erie	31	33
—	Do. 1st Pref.	38	40 −1
—	New York, Ontario	21	23
55	Southern Common	54	56
—	Do. Pref.	82	84
—	Southern Pacific	102	104
—	Union Pacific	152	154 +1

BRITISH RAILS.

111	Great Western	110	111
106	Lon. Mid. & Scot. Ord.	105	106
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref.	81	83
—	Do. 4½ p.c. Red Pref.	86	99*
—	Do. 5 p.c. Red. Pref.	99	101
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref., 1925	81	83
16⅛	Lon. North-East. 5 p.c. Pref.	85	88
—	Do. Def. Ord.	32⅜	33½ − ¼
—	Do. 4 p.c 1st Pref.	81	83
—	Do. 4 p.c 2nd Pref.	80	82
76	Metropolitan	73½	74½
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	99	101
—	Do. Pref.	56	57 − ¼
84½	Southern Pref. Ord.	84½	85½
40⅛	Do. Def. Ord.	41	42
37½	Do. "A"	36½	37½
11⅜	Do. "B"	11	12
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	100	103
—	Do. 5 p.c. Red. Pf.1924	97	100
3½	Underground Electric	3¼	3⅜
102¼	Do. Income Bonds	101	103
103	Do. 6 p.c. Debs.	102	104

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILS.

68	Antofagasta	67	69
—	Argentine G.W. Ord.	74	76
—	Bahia Blanca	76½	78½
—	Brazil Railway Common	¾	1¼
89½	Buenos Ayres Gt. Sth.	90	91 +1
80½	Buenos Ayres and Pacific	81	83 +1½
78½	Buenos Ayres and W.	79	81 +1
72	Canadian Pacific	172	173
76½	Central Argentine	77	78 +1
57½	Central Uruguay	56½	58½
—	Entre Rios	20	22 +3½
—	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	70	72 +1
—	Grand Trunk 4 p.c. Guar.	70	82
—	Grand Trunk 4 p.c. Deb.	42	44
—	Do. 4 p.c. Perp. Deb.	66	68
76	London	26½	28½ + ⅜
8½	Mexican Rails	9¾	10¼ +1
25	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	26	28 +1
15	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	16	18 +1
2	Mexican Nat. 1st Pref.	4	5
2	Mexican Nat. 2nd Pref.	1½	2½
151	San Paulo Ord.	149	154 +1
85	United Havana	85	87 +1

FOREIGN BONDS.

100	Argentine, 1886	99	101
72¾	Do. 4 p.c. Rescessions	71	73
85½	Do. 5 p.c., 1909	86	88
43½	Brazil 4 p.c., 1889	44	46 +1
85½	Do. Funding, 1908	86	87 +2
73¾	Do. 5 p.c. 1914	74	76* +1
92¾	Chinese 5 p.c 1896	91	93
79	Do. 41 p.c., 1898	78	80
70	Do. 5 p.c., 1912	69	71
97	Czecho-Slovakia Bonds	96	98
72½	Egyptian Unified	72¾	74¾
23½	French Loan	22	24
—	Do. 4 p.c.	17¾	18¾
19/0	German 3 p.c.	1½	1¾ + ⅛
20	Italian Rentes	19½	21¼
114	Japanese 4½ p.c., '16	113	115
—	Do. 4 p.c., 1905	91	93
92¾	Do. New 5 p.c., 1907	82	84
82	Mexican 6 p.c., '99	82	84 +1½
82	Do. 5 p.c. Treas.	82	84 +1½
2¼	Peruvian Corporation	3¼	3¾
26¾	Do. Pref.	27	28 + ⅜
95	Do. Deb.	95	97
32	Portuguese 3 p.c.	31	33
106	San Paulo 8 p.c.	107	109 +2
73	Spanish 4 p.c.	65	68
87	Uruguay 3½ p.c.	85	87 −1

BANKS.

—	Agricultural of Egypt	7+	7½ + ⅛
—	Anglo-South American	7+	7½ + ⅛
—	Australasia	12	13½
—	Bank New South Wales	38	39
—	Bank of New Zealand	2½	3½
—	Barclays	77	81½*
—	British of Foreign Trade	1	2
—	British Overseas	4½	5½
—	Canadian of Commerce	41	43
—	Chartered of India	34½	36½
—	Hong Kong	129	131
—	Lloyds	59/6	60/6
—	Midland	78	80
—	National Provincial "B"	8½	8¾*
—	National Prov. (£4 p.)	10¾	10⅞
—	Royal Bank of Canada	47½	48½
—	Standard South Africa	10¾	10⅞
—	Union of Australia	14¾	14¾
—	Westminster Bank	17	17½

TELEGRAPHS.

22½	Anglo-American Def.	22¾	22¾*
1⅞	Marconi Wireless Ord.	1¾	2
1⅜	Do. Pref.	1¾	2
—	Do. Debs.	104	106
—	Do. Marine	1½	1⅝
5/3	Do. Canada	5/0	5/9 + 0/3
21/0	Oriental Telephone	1¾	2*
19/3	Radio Corporation	18/6	19/0 − 0/1½
18/6	Do. Pref.	18/3	18/9 + 0/1½

MISCELLANEOUS.

—	Aboukir Land	1½	1¾
25/6	Aerated Bread	1½	1⅝
30/6	African and East. Trade	29/0	31/6
22½	Alianza	22	23
1½	Allsopp £1 Shares	1	⅞
64	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	61	66
9/4½	Amalgamated Cotton	8/6	9/6
2⅛	Anglo-Argentine 1st Pref.	2⅛	2⅜
2⅛	Anglo-Chilian Nitrate	2⅛	2⅜
6/6	Argentine Northern Land	5	7
25/0	Do. Southern Land	24	26
16/0	Armstrong, W. (£1)	14/0	17/6 + 0/3
19/0	Associated Cement	19/0	21/6 + 0/6
18/0	Do. Pref.	16/6	17/6
5½	Assd. Newspapers Def.	5¼	5⅝
—	Bartholomay Pref.	4	5
91	Bass, Ratcliff 5 p.c. Pref.	84	87 +1
17/0	Do. Ord.	13½	17¾
19/3	Bleachers	17/3	19/3
40/3	Borax Con. Def.	1⅛	2⅛
21/0	Bovril Def.	1½	2
5½	Brazilian Traction	5¼	5⅝ + ⅛
1½	British Portland Cement	1½	1⅝ + ⅛
11/0	B.S.A.	10/6	11/6
7/0	British Celanese Ord.	6/4½	6/10½ −0/3
21/0	British Oil and Cake	1⅜	1⅝
10/6	B.N.B. Land	9	11
88	Brit. Col. Electric Rail.	88	91 +2
—	Do. 4½ p.c. Debs.	90	92
31/6	Brunner Mond	37/6	39/6
18/0	Bryant and May	2½	2¾
27/6	Bradford Dyers	25/0	27/6
12/6	Brit.-Amer Tobacco	103/0	106/0 + 0/6
—	British Glass	1/4½	1/7½ + 0/1
33/6	Calico Printers	1⅛	1⅛
15/0	Cammell Laird	14/0	15/6
15/6	Cargo Fleet	13/6	15/6
52/3	Coats	51½	52½
64/0	Courtaulds	62½	64½
—	Court Line	28/0	29/0
3/3	Crosse and Blackwell	2/6	3/6
—	Cunard Ord.	1⅜	1⅝
—	De La Rue Deb.	81	82
8/3	Dunlop Rubber	7/6	8/6
07	Do. Deb.	100	103
—	Do. Amer. Tire Deb.	100⅜	101½
15/3	Dorman Long	14/6	15/6
—	Duple Bumpstar 6 p.c. Pf.	18/9	19/9
—	English Electric	16/9	18/9
31/0	English Sewing Cotton	2½	2⅝
48/0	Fine Spinners	23½	24½
20/9	Forestal Land	1	1¼
—	Furness Withy	1⅛	1⅜
20/0	General Electric Ord.	19/0	20/6
—	Do. Debs.	105	107 + ¾
404	Guinness	393½	415½
—	Do. Pref.	117	122*
—	Gramophone Ord.	1	1⅛
35/6	Harrods	1½	1¾
—	Hoyle Deb.	101	103
6	Hudson's Bay Ord.	5⅞	6¼
71/6	Imperial Tobacco Ord.	71/6	73/6 + 1/0
17/6	John Brown	17/3	18/3 +0/3
12/6	Do. (15/- paid)	3⅜	4¼
7¾	Lautaro Nitrate	7½	7¾
20/9	Lever 7 p.c. Pref.	20/3	21/3
—	Lever 7 p.c. Deb.	106	108
—	Lever 8 p.c. Deb.	95½	97½ + ⅜
17/0	Lipton	16/3	17/3
1½	Lyons (J.)	1½	1⅝ + ⅛
29/0	Lucrunas Nitrate	28/0	30/0
—	Linen Thread Ord.	2	2¾
23/3	Lister Ord.	13½	17½
—	Liverpool Nitrate	2½	2¾
57/0	London Nitrate	2⅛	2⅛
—	Macklintosh (J.) Pref.	17/10½	28/10½
6/7½	Maypole Def.	6/3	6/9
—	Mond Nickel Pref.	1¾	1¾
32	Mexican Trams	30	33 −1
78	Do. Bonds	67	70 +1
—	Do. L. and P. Bonds	64	67 +1
15/0	Niger Pref.	14/6	15/6
22/0	Nobel Ord.	22/6	23/6
33/0	Do. Pref.	18/6	20/0*
—	Do. Def.	8/6	8/9 + 0/3
—	Parent Tyre Def.	1½	1⅝
15/6	Do. Ord.	1¼	1⅜ + ⅛
18/0	Pease and Partners	14½	15½ + ⅛
—	Pond (L. and D.) Def.	295	305
—	Pekin Syndicate	⅛	⅜ + ⅛
—	Peter Walker Ord.	17/0	19/0
14/0	Pratt Bros. Ord.	12/10½	14/6½
—	Royal Mail Ord.	80	83 +3
17/0	Rio Negro Lands	1½	1⅝
27/3	Rolls Royce	1½	1⅝ − ⅛
12/6	Rosario Nitrate	12/0	14/0
22/0	Salt Union	21/0	23/0
55/0	South Durham Steel	2½	2⅝
97	San Paulo Tram Deb.	96	100
22/6	South African Breweries	1⅞	1⅞
26½	Shawinigan Water Debs.	115	120*
2¼	Santa Rita Nitrate	2	2½
2½	Santiago Nitrate	2½	2⅝
2¾	Sainsbury Carmen	2½	2¾
—	Selfridge 6 p.c. Pref.	1½	1⅝
16/6	Siemens	15	16
—	Smithfield Arg. Meat	⅞	1
1½	Spanish Estates	1⅛	1⅜
—	Tilling Ord.	2½	2⅝
—	Do. 5 p.c. Cum. Pref.	4½	4¾
15/6	Tarapaca Nitrate	13/0	16/0
—	Union Cold Storage Pref.	1⅞	1⅞
—	United Alkali	1½	1⅝
8/3	United Steel	8/3	9/3
14/0	Vickers Ord.	13/6	14/6
31/0	Van Den Berghs	1	1⅛
—	Do. Pref.	4¾	5¼
—	Walker (John) Pref.	19/3	20/3
18/6	Wallpaper Def.	⅛	1⅛*
—	Weardale Iron C.P.C.	1⅛	1⅛ + ⅛

* Ex div. † Ex bonus. ‡ Ex rights

LONDON STOCKS DULL.

SET-BACK IN OILS.

Quietly irregular conditions and buying orders, which were not numerous, were offset by profit-taking in the sections which have benefited by the recent activity. This tendency was particularly noticeable in Oil shares. Gilt-edged issues were steady, with narrow fluctuations, which left quotations with little change on the day, the tone at the close being steady. Among Government securities, Conversions were without movement at 76¾, and War Loan 5 per cent. Stock repeated 100⅛. Local Loans lost ¼ to 64½, and Indian issue, were inclined to droop, the 3 per cent. and 5½ per cent. Stocks both being a point easier at 56 and 64, respectively. Apart from a rise of 1 in Alberta 4½ per cent., Colonial issues were without movement.

Brazilians were firm in the FOREIGN MARKET. The Funding (1908) Issue rose 2 points to 86, and other descriptions advanced a point. Mexicans improved, the 5 per cent. (1899) and the 6 per cent. 10-year Treasury issue both being 1½ to the good. San Paulo 8 per cent. rose 2, and Peruvian Pref. added ½. French issues were unchanged, but German Threes hardened ½ to 1½.

HOME RAILS were almost without feature. London and North-Eastern Def.-Ord. at 33 fell ½, and Districts at 56½ lost ½.

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILWAYS were strongly supported, and business was unusually active. "Canpacs," however, remained unchanged at 172. Argentines further advanced. B.A.G.S. at 90 rose 1; Pacifics at 82 gained 1½. Westerns at 90 and Centrals at 78 both gained a point. Entre Rios Ord. rose 3½ to 21, and Pref. 1 to 71. Mexican Rails at 10, the 8 per cent. Pref. at 27, and the 6 per cent. Pref. at 17, each rose a point. San Paulo Ord. rose 1 to 151. United of Havana gained a point at 86, while Leopoldina rose ½ to 27½.

OIL SHARES IRREGULAR.

A GENERAL FALL.

From the point of view of business, the Oil Share market yesterday compared quite favourably with the preceding day, transactions being once more on a large scale; but, although a firm start was made, some see-saw movements were witnessed in the leaders and other favourites, and changes on balance were of an irregular character. The irregular tendency resulted in the main from profit-taking sales by the general public. Brokers whose clients have profits showing approached dealers with the object of securing the benefit of the advance, but at the same time evinced a desire to place the proceeds into something which has not shared in the improvement to any appreciable extent. This is a good thing in its way, as it indicates a broadening of interest. At the same time, the advance has been so general that it is a difficult matter to suggest the direction in which the money should be placed. Consequent upon public profit-taking, professional operators attempted to bang the leading issues, with, however, only a limited amount of success, for prices quickly responded to any renewal of demand. Closing prices :—

M.U.
Feb. 5.

AUCTION TO-MORROW AT 29 BACHELOR'S WALK,

COX'S AUCTION ROOMS.

A MAGNIFICENT AND VARIED COLLECTION OF SUPERIOR

DUBLIN-MADE FURNITURE, PIANOS, &c.,

Comprising:—Superior Dublin-made Mahogany and Walnut Glass-back Sideboards, several Sets of Dining Chairs, covered in hair cloth and Morocco; 4ft. 6in. Mahogany Bookcase, Mahogany Leaf-Holder and Dumb Waiter, Mahogany Bureaus and Revolving Book Stands, Chippendale Dining Table, claw and ball legs; 5 other Mahogany Dining Tables, in sizes from 5ft. to 12ft.; Mahogany, Oak, and Gilt-framed Overmantel Glasses; large Office Table, Oak Filing Cabinet; Diningroom and Drawing-room Suites, in Rosewood and Mahogany frames; Hair-stuffed Chesterfield Sets, covered in blue and old rose silk tapestries; Ebonized Mahogany 4-Fold Rule Joint Screen, Single Lounge Arm Chairs, Mahogany Cabinets, Chippendale China Cabinets, Half-Circle Drawingroom Display Cabinets, Gilt and Walnut-framed Oval Mirrors, Cabinet Gramophone and 30 Records, Hall Rug Chest, Hall Stand and Chairs, Occasional Drawingroom Tables and Chairs, Brass Fenders and Brasses, Pictures and Paintings, Curio Tables, a large variety of Silver and Plated Ware, Decorative and other China, Stone China Dinner Service, Tea Services, Old China Placques, Marble Clocks; Bedroom Furnishing, including two magnificent 6ft. Walnut Suites, 8 pieces each; two 6ft. Mahogany Glass-door Wardrobes, 4ft. 6in. Gent.'s Mahogany Wardrobe, with shelves and drawers; 4ft. Burr Walnut Wardrobe, 3 Mahogany Edinboro' Chests of Drawers; several other Bed-room Suites, assorted sizes, in Walnut, Inlaid Mahogany and Satin Walnut; Satin Walnut Combination Dressing Chest, Deal Wardrobes and Presses, Dressing Tables and Washstands, Mahogany Toilet Glasses; Single and Double Beds, Wires and Curled Hair Mattresses, Feather Bolsters and Pillows, Blankets, Eiderdown Quilts; Kitchen and Deal Furniture in variety, Dressers, Tables, Chairs; Pots, Pans and Saucepans; Garden Seats, a few Carpets, Bicycles, Mail Cars, and numerous miscellaneous effects; also superior Overstrung German Piano, Learner's Cottage do., and two Square Pianos. Goods on View. Auction commences at 12.30. Pianos sold at 3 o'clock.

JOHN H. COX, F.A.I., AUCTIONEER.

SALE THIS DAY, AT GAINSBORO' HOUSE, SALEROOMS.

WM. MONTGOMERY and SON WILL SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, ON THE PREMISES, AS ABOVE, a very fine collection of MODERN HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and APPOINTMENTS, comprising briefly:—Two Cottage Pianos, by Pohlmann and Wernam; full size Mahogany frame Billiard Table, and complete Set of Appointments, by Burroughs and Watts, practically new; Inlaid Drawing and Diningroom Suites, Easy and Occasional Chairs, Mahogany Sideboards, Sheraton Secretaire and Bookcase, Inlaid Corner and China Display Cabinets, IMPORTANT VASE-SHAPED AND INLAID CHINESE CABINET, Chesterfield Suite in Leather, Mahogany and Oak Hall Stands and Chairs, Overmantels, Hall and Bracket Clocks, finely Inlaid Mahogany and Walnut Bedroom Suites, Chests of Drawers, Wardrobe, Mahogany and All-Brass Bedsteads and Bedding, NEW WILTON AND AXMINSTER STAIR AND FLOOR CARPETS Brass Fire Services, Oil Paintings, Sets of Morland Engravings and London Cries, in colour; Plated Ware, Table Glass and China, Kitchen and Culinary Utensils, Outdoor Effects, Garden Seats, etc., etc.

TERMS—CASH THROUGHOUT. NO LOTS, DRESS MATERIALS, FLANNELETTES, ETC., AND OTHER ARTICLES OF HABERDASHERY. Purchasers to pay 5 p.c. Fees.

PIANOS, BILLIARD TABLE, AND CARPETS WILL BE SOLD AT 3 O'CLOCK on THIS DAY, DRAPERY GOODS TO-MORROW, AT 12 O'CLOCK.

W. MONTGOMERY & SON, M.I.A.A., 24 SUFFOLK STREET, DUBLIN.

COUNTY OF MEATH.
IMPORTANT AND ATTRACTIVE SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION OF VALUABLE

FARM OF LAND,

HELD IN FEE-SIMPLE, SITUATE AT

LIMEKILN HILL,

BESIDE THE TOWN OF NAVAN.

MESSRS. KEAPPOCK, CLARKE and CO. are favoured by instructions from James Hilliard, Esq., to SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, At their SALEROOMS, MARKET SQUARE, NAVAN, On MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11th, 1924, (Navan Fair Day), At the hour of One o'clock p.m.

All that Part of the Lands of Limekiln Hill, containing 22a. 1r. 30p., or thereabouts, Statute measure, situate in the Electoral Division of Navan Rural, Barony of Lower Navan, and County of Meath, held in fee-simple subject to an annuity of £35 6/8, in favour of the Irish Land Commission, until an advance of £1,025 has been repaid. The Poor Law Valuation is £31 10/-. Part of the Lands, containing 30 perches, or thereabouts, has been sub-let to Shilling, Limited, for a term of 21 years from 1st September, 1921, at the annual rent of £25. Part of the Lands, containing 31 3-5 perches, or thereabouts, have been sub-let to the British Petroleum Co., Limited, for 21 years, at the annual rent of £28.

These Lands, which are situate beside the Town of Navan, are of superior quality, free from disease, and well fenced, sheltered, and watered. As can be seen, the dwelling-house on the sub-tenants, who occupy only about 1½ roods of the holding, pay much more than the Land Commission annuity on the whole Farm.

Terms—A deposit of one-quarter the purchase money along with £5 per cent. Auction Fees at Sale; balance on completion of purchase, when immediate possession will be given.

For further particulars and Conditions of Sale apply to

THOMAS NOONAN, Esq., Solicitor for the Vendor, Navan; or to

KEAPPOCK, CLARKE & CO., M.I.A.A., Auctioneers, Valuers, and Live Stock Salesmen, NAVAN.

ROSETOWN COTTAGE, ATHGARVAN, NEWBRIDGE, CO. KILDARE.

IMPORTANT SALE OF COMPACT MEDIUM-SIZED MOST DESIRABLE RESIDENTIAL HOLDING OF PRIME LANDS, VERY CONVENIENTLY SITUATED, WITHIN 14 MILES OF THE IMPORTANT RAILWAY TOWN OF NEWBRIDGE, WITH PICTURESQUE COTTAGE RESIDENCE AND OUT-OFFICES THEREON.

DENIS BRENNAN AND SON have been favoured with instructions from the Owners to SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, at the TOWN HALL, NEWBRIDGE, on TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12th, 1924 (Fair Day), at 12 o'clock noon punctually, the Vendor's Right, Title and Interest in part of the Lands of Great Connell, containing 20a. 0r. 26p., or thereabouts, Statute Measure, situate in the Barony of Connell and County of Kildare, and held in Fee-Simple, subject to an Annuity of £22 0.2, being an apportioned part of an annuity of £32, which ends on the first day of June, 1907, and is payable in half-yearly instalments to the Irish Land Commission until an advance of £708 has been repaid. The Cottage Residence is beautifully situated within a short distance of the Curragh and Newbridge, and contains 2 sitting-rooms, 4 family bedrooms, servant's accommodation, kitchen, larder, etc.; nicely laid-out flower, fruit and vegetable gardens in front of house; enclosed yard, with suitable out-offices, etc.—viz., stable, coach house, cow and fowl houses, good lofting, etc.; plentiful supply of pure spring water.

The Lands are of prime rich quality, and divided into convenient paddocks, all well fenced and sheltered, all of which are in pasture.

The River Liffey adjoins this Holding, and affords splendid fishing; it is an ideal Holding for market garden and poultry farm in every respect.

The Auctioneers wish to draw special attention to this Sale, which affords an unique opportunity to prospective buyers of securing such an economical and in every way desirable Residence and Holding, situate on the very best feeding lands, in a most picturesque locality on the banks of the River Liffey.

For full particulars and Conditions of Sale apply to

DENIS BRENNAN & SON, Auctioneers, etc., KILCULLEN, CO. KILDARE.

BALLYMATOSKERTY, TOOMEBRIDGE, COUNTY ANTRIM.
ATTRACTIVE SALE OF

VALUABLE FARM OF LAND,

With GENTLEMAN'S RESIDENCE, known as "UNION LODGE."

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION, on the Premises, on TUESDAY, the 19th day of February, 1924, at the hour of One o'clock, by the instructions of James T. Green, Esq., who is retiring from farming owing to failing health.

That Farm of Land situate in the Townland of Ballymatoskerty, containing 56 acres, Statute measure, or thereabouts, held under Lord O'Neill, as a tenancy from year to year at the yearly-judicial rent of £24.

The Dwellinghouse, which is beautifully situated with Southern aspect, has a commanding and attractive appearance, with well laid out lawn in front and fruit and vegetable garden, with conservatory and extensive orchard. It contains spacious hall, drawingroom, diningroom, 6 bedrooms, servants' bedroom, large kitchen, scullery, maid's pantry, mistress's pantry, store-room, etc.

The house is in first-class repair throughout.

The enclosed farmyard is approached by a separate entrance from the county road and comprises well-arranged office houses, consisting of large barn, 60 feet by 18 feet, with stable, byre and loose boxes underneath, car shed, cart house, potato house, fowl house, open and enclosed sheds for young stock, hay sheds, etc. The entire buildings are slated.

The lands are under the usual rotation of cropping, well fenced and drained, with a plentiful supply of water, and are bounded by the county road and the Monreagless Demesne wall. There is also a good meadow.

There are five cottier houses, and those let produce £8 2/- annually. There is also a cottage and garden let at £24 per year, at present occupied as a grocer's shop and dwellinghouse combined. The premises are situate 2½ miles from Toome, 8 miles from Ballymena, and 4 miles from Randalstown.

Good fishing can be had at Toome and Lough Beg.

The threshing and churning machinery may be taken by the purchaser at the Auctioneer's valuation. Intending purchasers can inspect the premises prior to the sale.

Terms—25 per cent. deposit at time of sale and balance on completion. Auction Fees at sale.

For further particulars as to Title, Conditions of Sale, etc., apply to

J. and A. CARUTH and OWENS, Solicitors, Ballymena and Randalstown.

GEORGE PEARSON, AUCTIONEER, RANDALSTOWN.

LUSK LIVE STOCK SALE, TUESDAY NEXT,

FEBRUARY 12, AT 1 O'CLOCK.

300 HEAD,

Consisting of Stall-fed Bullocks and Heifers, forward lots of 3-year-old Store Bullocks and Heifers, many lots of Young Store Cattle, Springers, and Stripper Cows.

JAMES J ROONEY & CO., Auctioneers and Valuers, Cattle and Sheep Salesmen, 26 PRUSSIA STREET, DUBLIN. Telegrams—"Auctions, Dublin." 'Phone—2420.

CO. WESTMEATH.

STREAMSTOWN.

LETTING of Grass Lands for Eleven Months, from 1st March, 1924, to 1st February, 1925.

200 Acres Prime Fattening Lands at COOLATORE, in suitable divisions, for Henry A. S. Upton, Esq., on Wednesday, 13th February, 1924. Sale at 12 o'clock. Terms at Sale.

McGLYNN & HANLON, Auctioneers, CLARA and TULLAMORE.

SALE TO-DAY, AT ONE, 11 SOUTH KING STREET.

FRUIT TREES, APPLES, PEARS, PLUMS, CHERRIES, LOGANS, CURRANTS and GOOSEBERRIES, ROSES, SHRUBS.

ARTHUR JONES & SON,

Auctioneers and Valuers, House Agents, DUBLIN AND GREYSTONES.

TO-MORROW (FRIDAY), 8th FEBRUARY, MOUNT MERRION, STILLORGAN—For T. J. Wilson, Esq.—Letting of 150 Acres Grazing, in the following Divisions:—

	A.	R.	P.
Avenue Division	23	1	16
Church Field	17	1	16
Avenue North	17	1	33
Donnelly's Park	16	1	27
Deer Park	13	0	0
Haggard	15	2	8
Lawn	10	3	31
Lower Lawn	13	1	17
Callary	14	2	1

Sale at 12.30 o'clock.

PATRICK O'CONNOR & SON, LIMITED, M.I.A.A., 49 QUEEN STREET, DUBLIN.

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GARDEN, FARM, BEES, ETC.

ALL Owners of Gardens, to ensure best results, should Sow Drummond's specially tested Vegetable and Flower Seeds; awarded over 4,000 Prize Medals.—W. Drummond and Sons, 57 and 58 Dawson street. T

ALSO Drummond's hardy grown Fruit Trees, Roses, Ornamental Trees and Shrubs, Rhubarb Plants, Shallots, Potato Onions.—Drummond's, Dawson street, Dublin. 21 6

ALSO Drummond's Digging Spades, Forks, Rake-Hoe, Pruning Knives, Secateurs, Fruit Tree Sprays and Plant Manures.—Drummond's, Dawson street. 21 6

APPLE TREES—Bramley, the most profitable of all varieties, strong bushes, 10/-, 20/- and 24/- per dozen; catalogues of fruit trees, forest trees, ornamental shrubs, and Ledge plants now ready.—Nash, Nurseries, Athlone. 16 28

ARCHES, Pergola Work, Fencing, etc., made with larch poles and posts; looks well and lasts longer. Seen at Thomas Archer, New Wapping street, North Wall; or 53 Amiens street, or 11 and 12 Tyler Keyin street, Dublin. 5 T

AUCTION, Fruit Trees, Roses, Shrubs, To-day (Thursday), 7th February, 11 South King st., one o'clock. Arthur Jones.

BOX Edging, 5/- per 100, free. Address "Z 4808, Garden," this office.

CAULIFLOWER Plants—Early London, strong, transplanted, 2/6 100, postage 1/-; 60 1/3, postage 9d.—Ramsay, Ballsbridge. 30 X

CABBAGE Plants—Delicious Early White Hearting, Ellam's Early and Late, York, Nonpareil, Drumhead, Flat Dutch 1/- 100, postage 1/-.—Ramsay, Ballsbridge. 30 X

CHEAP Offer before Transplanting—Laurels, 12-18-inch, 100 6/-; 1,000 55/-; 18-24 inch, 100 8/-; Scotch Fir, 12-24, 100 5/-, 24-30 inch 8/-; Spruce, 12-18 inch, 100 8/-, 18-24 10/.—Nash, Athlone. 16 28

CABBAGE Plants, best varieties, 10/- 1,000; Cauliflowers, 2/6 100.—Grey, Kilcool, Co. Wicklow. 6 C

DO not be put on with rubbishy foreign Roses when infinitely better home-grown ones can be bought at pre-war prices, to flower well this year. Plant now. New Rose catalogue (coloured illustrations) post free.—Watsons, Nurseries, Killiney, Dublin. 8 30

FRUIT Trees—Much the largest stock in this country. Quality same as we supply extensively to English and Scottish co-partners. Plant now. Fruit catalogue free.—Watsons, Nurseries, Killiney, Dublin. 8 30

FOR Sale, Sitka Spruce, 15,000 plants, from 10" to 18"; Douglas Oregon Green Variety, 5,000 plants, from 18" to 24". Apply Forester, Farnham, Cavan.

FLOWERING and Evergreen Shrubs, Climbing and Hedging Plants, choice varieties. Catalogues free.—Ramsay, Ballsbridge. 30 X

FRUIT Trees, Apples, Pears, Plums, Cherries, Peaches healthy fruiting trees; leading varieties; catalogues free.—Ramsay, Ballsbridge. 30 X

FOR Sale, Seed Potatoes, 1 Ton Queen, imported last season; 1 Ton Up-to-Dates.—P 1424, this office. 6 A

FOREST TREES, HEDGING PLANTS, FRUIT TREES, ORNAMENTAL SHRUBS.

Splendid stuff, grown on exposed ground. Inspection invited. Satisfactory deliver guaranteed. Price list free.

Orders of 60/- upwards carriage paid.

WM. POWER AND CO., WATERFORD, Seedmerchants and Nurserymen. 5 E

GOOSEBERRIES and Currants, strong fruiting trees, all colours, 9/-, 12/- and 18/- dozen.—Ramsay, Ballsbridge. 30 X

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